

Visit the Heart of Washington's Wine Country



Visit the Columbia Valley and discover the heart of Washington's Wine Country. Sharing the same latitude as the world-famous Burgundy and Bordeaux regions of France, the Columbia Valley has the perfect soil conditions and temperature for making great wines.

The Tri-Cities' area wineries are still young enough to be intimate, yet experienced enough to produce world-class wines. A visit to one of the 150 area wineries in the Columbia Valley is a truly unique experience. You will often be greeted by the winemaker and invited to tour the vineyards, labs and warehouse.

Local Wineries

Known as "The Heart of Washington Wine Country," the Tri-Cities region houses more than 150 wineries within a 50 mile radius. Visitors can sample award winning wines, or enjoy breathtaking views of beautiful vineyards.

If you are planning to explore the countryside on a self-driving tour, remember to contact the [Tri-Cities Visitor & Convention Bureau](#) for a detailed map of area wineries. However, if you prefer to relax and leave the driving up to someone else, contact a Tri-Cities tour operator for a drive through wine country.

[Badger Mountain/Powers Winery](#)

Surrounded by 75 acres of certified organic vineyard, Badger Mountain and Powers Winery offer wine sampling in a relaxed country setting just minutes from Columbia Center. For something different, try one of the *No Sulfite Added* wines. Picnic area and tasting room open daily 10 am to 5 pm.

1106 S. Jurupa St., Kennewick - 509.627.4986

[Barnard Griffin Winery](#)

Tasting room open daily 10 am to 6 pm. Call for Winter hours (November-April). Tours available.

878 Tulip Ln., Richland - 509.627.0266

[Bookwalter Winery](#)

Tasting room open Monday and Tuesday from 10am - 8pm, Wednesday through Thursdays from 6pm - 9pm, Friday and Saturday from 6pm - 10pm and Sundays from 2pm - 5pm. The winery is located in the heart of the Tri-Cities at the west end of Columbia Drive. Visit our Wine Lounge & Patio for the relaxing enjoyment of artisan wines & distinctive, handcrafted cheeses. Group facilities and picnic grounds available. Warm and knowledgeable staff can guide tours.

894 Tulip Ln., Richland - 509.627.5000

Chateau Champoux

Five miles from the Columbia River atop the Horse Heaven Hills AVA, the Chateau specializes in vineyard tours and tasting wines crafted from Champoux Vineyards, one of Washington's premier vineyards. Meeting and banquet space, prepared lunches or catering available. Open June through November by appointment. Take exit 82 off I-82, south on Hwy 22 to Hwy 221 then west on Hwy 14 along the Columbia River, take a right on Alderdale-Mabton Rd. chateauucr@bentonrea.com
524 Alderdale Rd., Prosser - 509.894.5005

Columbia Crest Winery

The largest winery and wine producer in Washington State. The beautiful grounds and facilities of the Columbia Crest Winery are available for large and small groups. Open daily 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for tours and tasting.
Hwy 221 PO Box 231, Paterson - 509.875.2061

Columbia Valley Winery Association

PO Box 6644, Kennewick - 509.628.8082

Cowan Vineyards

Tasting room opened in 2005 and located in Prosser's Wine and Food Park. Growing quality wine grapes for eleven years and award-winning, handcrafted estate wines. Family-owned and operated. Winter hours: Weekends, Noon - 4pm or by appointment. Summer hours: Thursday through Sunday, 10am - 5pm.
2880 Lee Rd., Ste. E, Prosser - 509.788.0200

Eaton Hill Winery

Eaton Hill Winery is located in the fruit and vegetable cannery built by Floyd Rinehold about 1930. Since 1983, restoration of the building has continued and in 1988, the first wines were produced. The winery is located near the beautiful Rattlesnake Hills, with orchards and vineyards on the property. There is RV parking, a picnic area and bicyclists are welcome.

530 Gurley Rd., Granger - 509.854.2220

Forgeron Cellars

A renovated, historic, blacksmith shop houses our tasting room and winery, where we craft varietal wines with wonderful depth and complexity. Open daily, 11am - 4pm, closed major holidays.

33 W. Birch St., Walla Walla - 509.522.9463

Gordon Brothers Cellars

Growing some of the most sought-after wine grapes in the Columbia Valley since 1980. We now use all of the fruit from our 95 acre, southern-exposure vineyard along the Snake River to produce our 100% Estate grown wines.

509.547.6331

Hedges Cellars Winery

Hedges Family Estate is located in Washington's premier American viticultural area, Red Mountain. Since 1987, Tom and Anne-Marie Hedges have been producing world-class wines from their estate vineyards. The Estate Chateau is located in the heart of the AVA. Just minutes from the Tri-Cities and open for public tastings Friday,

Saturday and Sunday, 11am - 5pm, by appointment Monday - Thursday, and closed holidays. Groups larger than ten must call for appointment. Call Jeff Hosler at 509.588.3155.

53511 Sunset Rd, Benton City - 800.859.9463

Hogue Cellars

Winery founder Mike Hogue produced the first Hogue Cellars wine in 1982. The tasting room offers wine tasting, gift shop, picnic area, and wines including Reserves and rare Terroir wines. Open daily 10am - 5pm and closed on major holidays.

Wine Country Rd., Prosser - 509.786.4557

Kestrel Vintners

Our obsession is to create a line of elegant, distinctive wines. We invite you to try our uniquely crafted Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Chardonnay, Viognier, Sangiovese and Syrah, while browsing in our gift and cheese shop. Open daily 10am - 5pm.

2890 Lee Rd., Prosser - 509.786.2675

Kiona Vineyards Winery

Kiona's award-winning wines are available at fine shops and restaurants throughout the Northwest. The tasting room is open from Noon - 5pm, seven days a week.

44612 N. Sunset Rd., Benton City - 509.588.6716

Maryhill Winery

In the late 1800's Sam Hill, a visionary and philanthropist, sought a unique micro-climate to establish an agrarian society. He found that ideal place. The Lower Columbia River Gorge, one of the finest wine grape growing regions in the world. Maryhill Winery offers fine handcrafted wines from the "Land of Promise," where the rain and sunshine meet. Hours: March 15 - December 15; 10am - 6pm seven days a week.

PO Box 1104, Goldendale - 509.773.5590

Oakwood Cellars

A friendly boutique winery founded in 1986 dedicated to producing only high quality premium wines. Located in one of the best growing locales in Washington State and situated near the foot of Red Mountain. Oakwood Cellars' handcrafted wines have competed against thousands of wines internationally and have won medals in every varietal category.

40504 N. DeMoss Rd., Benton City - 509.588.5332

Preston Premium Wines

The Preston family is one of the pioneer grape growers in the Columbia Valley. Their vineyards at the winery was begun in 1972 and has been producing wines under the Preston label since 1976. The Preston line includes a major selection of varietals specializing in Cabernet, Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet Franc, Chardonnay, as well as Ports. The tasting room and gift shop offers visitors a chance to browse and take a self-guided tour of the winery. The winery has a picnic park with gazebo and amphitheater; and the tasting room offers sweeping views of the vineyards and Pasco's agricultural lands. Hours: 10am - 5:30pm daily.

502 E. Vineyard Dr., Pasco - 509.545.1990

Seth Ryan Winery

Owned and operated by two families, Seth Ryan focuses on quality not quantity. Its location on the way to Interstate 82 makes it an ideal stop for convention delegates from the west side of the state.

35306 N. Sunset Rd, Benton City - 509.588.6780

Snoqualmie Vineyards

660 Frontier Rd., Prosser - 509.875.4224

Tapteil Vineyard Winery

First planted in 1985, this established vineyard of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc is now the location of one of Washington's newest wineries. Located on Red Mountain. Tasting room open 11am - 5pm Saturday (April - December), by appointment and on event weekends. Take Benton City exit 96 off I-182. Follow Hwy 224 East to Sunset Rd., North end of Sunset Rd.

20206 E. 583 PR NE, Benton City - 509.588.4460

Tagaris Winery

Tagaris estate winery produces old-vine red and white wines at a new Mediterranean style winery The Taverna (Greek: small restaurant), patio dining at The Kouzina (outdoor kitchen), deli, espresso bar, entertainment.

844 Tulip Ln., Richland - 509.628.0020

Terra Blanca Winery & Estate Vineyard

Terra Blanca Winery and Estate Vineyard is a unique Tuscan-style winery located on nationally acclaimed Red Mountain. Visitors can expect a wine tasting experience like no other in Washington State. Tasting room open 11am - 6pm daily.

34715 N. DeMoss Rd., Benton City - 509.588.6082

Wine Yakima Valley

PO Box 497, Prosser - 509.965.5201

See also the [Washington State Wine Commission](#) for more information on wineries located in the beautiful state of Washington.

Wine Facts & Trivia

The Columbia Valley Appellation (viticultural region) is home to the Yakima Valley, Walla Walla Valley, and [Red Mountain](#) sub-appellations.

- Our Bureau initiated the Washington State wine tourism conference, the first-ever wine tourism conference held in North America.
- Washington State's first certified organic vineyard and winery (Badger Mountain Winery)
- No Sulfites Added wines produced by Badger Mountain
- WA State's oldest winery (Chateau St. Michelle in Grandview)
- The Tri-Cities first annual Grape Festival was held 1910.
- WA State's largest winery (Columbia Crest in Paterson)
- WA State's first barrel-caves for aging wine (Terra Blanca)
- WA State's largest antique corkscrew collection (Preston Premium Wines)
- Complimentary tastings and showrooms overlooking vineyards and Columbia/Yakima valley

- The Rattlesnake Hills appellation is the American Viticultural Association's newest designation. (Appellations are wine producing regions with distinct growing conditions, used to identify a wine with a particular climate and growing season/growing conditions primarily for marketing purposes)
- 1 new winery opening every 13 days in the state of Washington (According to Steve Burns, WA Wine Commission, 1999)
- 99% of the Washington's wine grapes come from eastern Washington's Columbia Valley
- 26 varieties of wine grapes grown
- Ranking of production volume
 - California #1
 - Washington #2
 - New York #3
 - Oregon #4