Explore the wine regions taking root in the state.

Alcantara Vineyards
Photo by Jenelle Bonfield
SIP THE STATE

Not far from its iconic desert and cactus-spotted landscape, Arizona gives way to scenery whose temperate climates and elevation provide the perfect setting for the diverse grapes that grow here. As bold and spirited as the state in which they’re produced, Arizona wines offer a unique adventure for those willing to seek them out.

Sip wine while looking out on the rolling grasslands of Sonoita or Willcox, or paddle a kayak through a tree-laden river to a tasting room overlooking the red rocks of the Verde Valley. Arizona’s wines are as varied as its landscapes, with an experience for every palate.

Since the 1970s

Arizona’s skillfully crafted wines have earned international acclaim, won numerous awards and have even been served at the White House. Whether a new lover of wine or an oenophile, we invite you to explore our three largest wine regions. Each offers an excellent opportunity to get outdoors, discover your next favorite wine and take in everything Arizona has to offer.
The Sonoita region is Arizona’s first American Viticultural Area (AVA). The area was designated an AVA for its similarities to the Indicazione Geografica Tipica region of Italy, known for its “Super Tuscans.” The unique geographical location, climate and soil characteristics of the Sonoita AVA produce award-winning Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Merlot and more. Because of the region’s natural water retention, and the cool air blowing over the mountains, the Sonoita AVA offers exceptional conditions for producing wine. With a dozen tasting rooms throughout the region, the vineyards and wineries of the Sonoita AVA invite you to discover a new taste of Arizona.

Monsoons supply more than half the water needed for grapes to grow in AZ

80-90°F Sonoita Summer Temperatures
4,500-5,000 ft Sonoita Elevation

Tours & Shuttles
Whether walking or riding a Segway, in a car or on horseback, the options for touring the Arizona wine regions are as unique as the wines that grow here. Vineyards, wineries and tasting rooms offer group and private tours, many with shuttles from Tucson, Scottsdale and Sedona.
1. AZ TONA HOPS AND VINES
3450 Highway 82
Sonoita, AZ 85637
azhopsandvines.com

2. CALLAGHAN VINEYARDS
336 Elgin Road
Elgin, AZ 85611
callaghanvineyards.com

3. CHARRON VINEYARDS
18585 S. Sonoita Highway
Vail, AZ 85641
charronvines.com

4. DEEP SKY VINEYARD
124 Elgin Road
Elgin, AZ 85611
deepskyvineyard.com

5. DOS CABEZAS WINERIES
3248 Highway 82
Sonoita, AZ 85637
doscabezas.com

6. ELGIN WINERY
471 Elgin Road
Elgin, AZ 85611
elginwines.com

7. FLYING LEAP VINEYARDS – ELGIN VINEYARD
342 Elgin Road
Elgin, AZ 85611
flyingleapvineyards.com

8. HANNAH’S HILL VINEYARD
3989 Highway 82
Elgin, AZ 85611
hannahshill.com

9. KIEF-JOSHUA VINEYARDS
370 Elgin Road
Elgin, AZ 85611
kj-vineyards.com

10. LIGHTNING RIDGE CELLARS
2368 Highway 83
Elgin, AZ 85611
lightningridgecellars.com

11. RANCHO ROSSA VINEYARDS
201 Cattle Ranch Lane
Vail, AZ 85641
ranchorossa.com

12. RUNE WINES
3969 Highway 82
Sonoita, AZ 85637
runewines.com

13. SILVER STRIKE WINERY
334 E. Allen Street
Tombstone, AZ 85638
silverstrikewinery.com

14. SONOITA VINEYARDS
290 Elgin-Canelo Road
Elgin, AZ 85611
sonoitavineyards.com

15. WILHELM FAMILY VINEYARDS
21 Mountain Ranch Drive
Elgin, AZ 85611
wilhelmvineyards.com
Southwest Wine Center

The Southwest Wine Center at Yavapai College offers a comprehensive, hands-on approach to enology, viticulture and business programs while becoming a premier community resource for the Arizona wine industry. The estate vineyard allows for a complete vine to bottle education with a fully operational tasting room on-site to showcase the student-led production.

VERDE VALLEY REGION

Located in the red rock countryside and lush canyons of Northern Arizona, the Verde Valley region produces award-winning Arizona wines. Elevation, volcanic soil, hot days and cool nights make this region ideal for producing grapes with thicker skins, deeper colors and more flavor. The area’s vineyards and tasting rooms provide an inviting atmosphere for wine enthusiasts to relax and enjoy the experience of a destination rich in history, with tours of the grounds and samples of the diverse selection of wines.

121 Wine Producers in Arizona

90°F Verde Valley Summer Temperatures

3,400-5,200 ft Verde Valley Elevation
1. ALCANTARA VINEYARDS
   3445 S. Grapevine Way
   Cottonwood, AZ 86326
   alcantaravineyard.com

2. ARIZONA STRONGHOLD
   1023 N. Main Street
   Cottonwood, AZ 86326
   azstronghold.com

3. BODEGA PIERCE – CLARKDALE
   1341 W. State Route 89A
   Clarkdale, AZ 86324
   bodegapierce.com

4. BURNING TREE CELLARS
   1040 N. Main Street
   Cottonwood, AZ 86326
   burningtreecellars.com

5. CABAL CELLARS
   417 Hull Avenue
   Jerome, AZ 86331
   cabalcellars.com

6. CADUCEUS TASTING ROOM
   158 Main Street
   Jerome, AZ 86331
   caduceus.org

7. CARLSON CREEK – COTTONWOOD
   1010 N. Main Street
   Cottonwood, AZ 86326
   carlsoncreek.com

8. CHATEAU TUMBLEWEED
   1151 W. State Route 89A
   Clarkdale, AZ 86324
   chateautumbleweed.com

9. CLEAR CREEK VINEYARD & WINERY
   4053 E. Highway 260
   Camp Verde, AZ 86322
   clearcreekwineryaz.com

10. D.A.RANCH
    1901 Dancing Apache Road
    Cornville, AZ 86325
    daranch.com

11. DEL RIO SPRINGS VINEYARD
    974 N. Grandview
    Paulden, AZ 86334
    delriospningsvineyard.com

12. FLYING LEAP VINEYARDS – SEDONA
    390 N. State Route 89A
    Sedona, AZ 86336
    flyingleapvineyards.com

13. FOUR EIGHT WINERIES
    140 Main Street
    Jerome, AZ 86331
    four8wineries.com

14. GRANITE CREEK VINEYARDS
    2515 N. Road 1 East
    Chino Valley, AZ 86323
    granitecreekvineyards.com

15. JAVELINA LEAP VINEYARD & WINERY
    1565 N. Page Springs Road
    Cornville, AZ 86325
    javelinaleapwinery.com

16. MERKIN VINEYARDS OSTERIA
    1001 N. Main Street
    Cottonwood, AZ 86326
    merkinwineystoria.com

17. OAK CREEK VINEYARDS & WINERY
    1555 N. Page Springs Road
    Cornville, AZ 86325
    oakcreekvineyards.net

18. PAGE SPRINGS CELLARS
    1500 N. Page Springs Road
    Cornville, AZ 86325
    pagespringscellars.com

19. PASSION CELLARS – JEROME
    417 Hull Avenue
    Jerome, AZ 86331
    passioncellars.com

20. PILLSBURY WINE COMPANY
    1012 N. Main Street
    Cottonwood, AZ 86326
    pillsburywine.com

21. SALT MINE WINE
    536 W. Salt Mine Road
    Camp Verde, AZ 86322
    saltminewine.com

22. SOUTHWEST WINE CENTER
    601 Black Hills Drive
    Clarkdale, AZ 86324
    southwestwinecenter.com

23. TANTRUM WINES
    918 N. Main Street
    Cottonwood, AZ 86326
    tantrumwines.com

24. WINERY 101
    1019 N. Main Street
    Cottonwood, AZ 86326
    winery101.com

25. WINERY 1912
    320 N. State Route 89A
    Sedona, AZ 86336
    winery1912.com
Between 4,200 and 5,500 feet in elevation, the vineyards of the Willcox region of Arizona offer a near-perfect climate and soil for growing grapes. Located in the Southeast corner of the state, and high above the desert terrain and heat, this area is surrounded by the Dragoons, Chiricahua and Dos Cabezas mountain ranges. Receiving an average rainfall of 15-20 inches combined with the mountain minerals that are part of the soil, it is here that 74% of Arizona’s wine grapes are harvested. With several world-class tasting rooms, there are plenty of places to find your next favorite.

Fruits of Labor

The effort and dedication of the local grape growers of this region have paid off. Widely acclaimed for being unique and distinctive among heralded United States winemakers, this area was recently bestowed AVA, or American Viticultural Area, status. While most of the vineyards in this region are open to the public, some are by appointment only.
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<td>145 N. Railview Avenue, Willcox, AZ 85643</td>
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<td>BIRDS &amp; BARRELS VINEYARDS</td>
<td>5000 E. Arzberger Road, Willcox, AZ 85643</td>
<td>birdsandbarrels.com</td>
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<td>carlsoncreek.com</td>
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<td>FLYING LEAP VINEYARDS – WILLCOX TASTING ROOM</td>
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<td>flyingleapvineyards.com</td>
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<td>FLYING LEAP VINEYARDS AT KANSAS SETTLEMENT</td>
<td>5051 E. Flying Leap Way, Willcox, AZ 85643</td>
<td>flyingleapvineyards.com</td>
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<td>GOLDEN RULE VINEYARDS – VINEYARD TASTING ROOM</td>
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<td>goldenrulevineyards.com</td>
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<td>kj-vineyards.com</td>
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<td>6223 E. Cattle Drive, Willcox, AZ 85643</td>
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<td>PASSION CELLARS AT SALVATORE VINEYARDS</td>
<td>3052 N. Fort Grant Road, Willcox, AZ 85643</td>
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<td>6450 S. Bennet Place, Willcox, AZ 85643</td>
<td>pillsburywine.com</td>
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<td>ZARPARA VINEYARD</td>
<td>6777 S. Zarpapa Lane, Willcox, AZ 85643</td>
<td>zarpara.com</td>
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Verde Valley Itinerary

MORNING
Enjoy a shaded courtyard on Cottonwood’s Main Street while you dine on red-velvet waffles with beer-battered chicken and amazing chilaquiles at Crema Café.
cremacottonwood.com

Take a water to wine tour by kayaking along a scenic stretch of the Verde River and make your way to the Tuscan farmhouse at Alcantara Vineyards for wine tasting.
sedonaadventuretours.com
alcantaravineyard.com

AFTERNOON
Enjoy a late picnic lunch at Page Springs Cellars where they make everything from wine to the mustard and sausage you’ll find on their charcuterie boards.
pagespringscellars.com

Spend the rest of your afternoon visiting the tasting rooms that line Main Street in Cottonwood, including Arizona Stronghold, Carlson Creek, Burning Tree and Pillsbury Wine. vvwinetrail.com

EVENING
Walk under the stars on an easy hike down to the Verde River on the Old Town Jail Trail found right off Main Street. 1101 N. Main Street (Parking and trail head)

For a memorable dining experience, visit Merkin Vineyards Osteria and try their famous prickly pear infused mac & cheese.
merkinvineyardsosteria.com

Settle in for an overnight stay at the quaint Tavern Hotel. If with a group, consider the penthouse accommodations or choose the hotel’s charming cottage. thetavernhotel.com

Sonoita Itinerary

MORNING
Start your day with a homemade cinnamon roll or savory breakfast at the Horseshoe Café & Bakery. This diner serves classic breakfast fare starting at 6 a.m.
horseshoecafe-bakery.com

Travel South on Hwy. 90 to discover Kartchner Caverns State Park. This stalactite wonder, discovered in 1974, was kept a secret for four years until young cave explorers shared the pristine cavern with the property owners. Book an advanced tour reservation for your visit.
azstateparks.com/kartchner

Head to downtown Sonoita and visit the tasting rooms and vineyards. Looking to try something different? Swing into Flying Leap Distillery to taste cask-aged brandies, vodkas or bourbon made from wine grapes. The hand-hammered copper stills are manufactured in Germany.
flyingleapvineyards.com

AFTERNOON
When you get hungry, but are too engrossed in the wine you’re sampling, simply order an antipasto platter delivered to you from the Café.
cafesonoita.com

Evening
After a day of experiencing the local wines, head to The Steak Out Restaurant & Saloon for a fine cut of steak cooked over a mesquite grill. Take in the old west elegance and unwind from a day of exploring Southern Arizona.
azsteakout.com

For unique accommodations, consider one of the region’s wineries. Purveyors such as Kief-Joshua Vineyards and Dos Cabezas Wine Works have their own suites. If a lodge is more your speed, stay at the one-of-a-kind Sonoita Inn.
sonoitainn.com

Willcox Itinerary

MORNING
Start with a visit to a Sky Island for an early morning hike. Starting east of Willcox, you can explore nature at the Chiricahua National Monument and gaze at the wonderland of rocks. Or go southwest of Willcox and hike the Dragoon Mountains; beware of the ghost towns within. nps.gov/chir

AFTERNOON
Head to the country store at Apple Annie’s Orchard for lunch, served Monday – Friday. Try a daily soup, sandwich or seasonal wrap. Save room for their homemade pie. While on the farm, participate in their “you-pick” fruit crops and select from apples, peaches and pears.
appleannies.com

Arrive at Old Town Willcox and explore the tasting rooms in the historic town center along the Willcox Wine Trail. Tasting rooms here open around 11 a.m.

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flyingleapvineyards.com

EVENING
Mexican fare doesn’t get any more authentic than what you’ll find at La Unica Tortilleria Y Taqueria. Wander in from the tasting rooms to indulge in large portions and light, crispy tortilla chips. Make sure to ask for the hot salsa.
520-384-0010

Come for the wine, stay for the adventure.
From nature trails to restaurants and shops, Arizona’s three wine regions offer wine enthusiasts a little taste of everything. With a wide variety of things to see and do while here, about the only problem you’ll have is deciding what to do next.
WINE TO TRAVEL FOR

A rare opportunity lies before you. To travel the unique terrain of the wild Arizona landscape, experiencing some of the country’s most celebrated wines. To walk the Southwest highlands and reconnect with nature. To meet other wine enthusiasts and learn from vineyard stewards who have been cultivating these regions for generations.

With Arizona’s grape variety ranging from Syrah, Petite Sirah, Grenache and Mourvedre to Viognier, Sangiovese, Zinfandel and Cabernet Sauvignon, there is a wine for every palate. Come and explore Arizona to discover what makes the grape-growing regions of Sonoita, Willcox and Verde Valley so special.

Shop Local

Explore the vineyards, meet wine lovers, shop local outlets and soak in the culture of our major wine-growing regions. Just don’t forget to buy a bottle or two before you head to the next one.

ArizonaWines.com

Start planning your visit to award-winning wineries right from our website.