

# Visit a Vineyard

The reputation of English wine is growing rapidly and we are fortunate to have so many quality producers in Surrey, Sussex and Kent.

With geological conditions very similar to those found in Champagne, sparkling wine is of a very high quality and exceptional still wines are produced here, too.

More and more vineyards and wineries are opening their doors to visitors. If you have never been before, why not book a tour in advance? If travelling with children, following a vineyard trail might be a nice option.

Find the vineyard closest to your home or holiday and follow our numbered route to get from one to the next or just explore the region, finding vineyards as you go.

A few wine producers also offer a restaurant or café, as do many of our highlighted attractions. Some vineyards even have accommodation or can be hired for private parties.

The vast majority of vineyards open to the public include the opportunity to try before you buy, so don't be shy!

## Wine route vineyards

The vineyards in the following list are open year round (unless otherwise indicated) at least one day per week and do not require advance booking.

### 1. HUSH HEATH VINEYARD

The vision is Pink Sparkling wine to rival the finest from Champagne and the rest of the world. The story begins in deepest Kent, and leads through manicured vineyards, a state of the art winery, great people, international awards and recognition. Explore the vineyards and maybe even have a picnic.

**Web:** [www.hushheath.com](http://www.hushheath.com)  
**Address:** Five Oak Lane, Junction of Snoad Lane, Staplehurst, Kent. TN12 0HT  
**Tel:** 01622 832794 • **Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

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### 2. BIDDENDEN VINEYARDS

Kent's oldest commercial vineyard was established by the Barnes family in 1969 and now covers 23 acres. Award-winning white, red, rosé and sparkling wines are produced as well as apple juice and Strong Kentish cider. Admission and tastings are free, with free guided tours every Saturday at 10am.

**Web:** [www.biddendenvineyards.com](http://www.biddendenvineyards.com)  
**Address:** Gribble Bridge Lane, Biddenden, TN27 8DF  
**Tel:** 01580 291726 • **Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

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### 3. CHAPEL DOWN

England's leading wine producer offers a range of award-winning sparkling and still wines. With a mission to surprise and delight, the winery is open to the public for visits, tours and tastings. The site also boasts the impressive Swan at Chapel Down restaurant as well as the Wine & Fine Food Store.

**Web:** [www.chapeldown.com](http://www.chapeldown.com)  
**Address:** Small Hythe, Tenterden, TN30 7NG  
**Tel:** 01580 763033  
**Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

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### 4. OXNEY ORGANIC ESTATE

Oxney Organic Estate, established in 2012, produce organic still and sparkling wine. We welcome visitors for tours of the vineyard and the winery, located in a beautiful converted oast house. Stop by for a lunch platter, or stay in one of our gorgeous converted barns and make it a longer break.

**Web:** [www.oxneyestate.com](http://www.oxneyestate.com)  
**Address:** Hobbs Lane, Beckley, Rye, TN31 6TU  
**Tel:** 01797 260137 • **Open:** Tu W Th Sa (seasonal)  
**Wine:** Rosé, Sparkling\*

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### 5. CARR TAYLOR VINEYARDS

This family-run business has been growing and producing wines from its idyllic 37 acres near Hastings for some 40 years. A selection of varieties is grown to produce still and sparkling wines, as well as fruit wines. Free tasting and inexpensive tours are offered as well as a free children's trail.

**Web:** [www.carr-taylor.co.uk](http://www.carr-taylor.co.uk)  
**Address:** Wheel Lane, Westfield, Hastings, TN35 4SG  
**Tel:** 01424 752501 • **Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé

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### 6. RATHFINNY ESTATE

Planting at this substantial new vineyard includes Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier and Riesling. Pre booked Estate tours available. The modern Winery includes a Tasting Room, available for private hire. The Flint Barns house beautiful accommodation and The Gun Room shop is in nearby Alfriston.

**Web:** [www.rathfinnyestate.com](http://www.rathfinnyestate.com)  
**Address:** The Gun Room, The Tye, Alfriston. BN26 5TL  
**Tel:** 01323 871031 • **Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** White, Sparkling\*

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### 7. HIGHDOWN VINEYARD

A small vineyard producing award-winning wines grown on the southern slopes of the South Down sand produced in the on-site winery. The vineyard is easily accessible and has excellent facilities for functions. Various events are hosted, such as vineyard tours and wine tastings and dinners.

**Web:** [www.highdown-vineyard.co.uk](http://www.highdown-vineyard.co.uk)  
**Address:** Littlehampton Road, Ferring, West Sussex, BN12 6PG • **Tel:** 01903 500663 • **Open:** Tu W Th F Sa (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

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### 8. TINWOOD ESTATE

Top quality English sparkling wine is produced by Tinwood in conjunction with the award winning Ridgeview Estate. Based at the foot of the South Downs and located next to Goodwood Estate, three delicious sparkling wines are available to taste. Why not have a tour and tasting overlooking the vines?

**Web:** [www.tinwoodestate.com](http://www.tinwoodestate.com)  
**Address:** Tinwood Lane, Halnaker, Chichester, PO18 0NE  
**Tel:** 01243 537572 • **Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling

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### 9. UPPERTON VINEYARDS

Upperton is a family run vineyard dedicated to making award winning sparkling wine. You will love the panoramic views of the South Downs during your guided tour and tasting or as you relax in the café for lunch or afternoon tea. See what's happening at Upperton this summer and book your place.

**Web:** [www.uppertonvineyards.co.uk](http://www.uppertonvineyards.co.uk)  
**Address:** Upperton Farm, Tillington, Petworth, GU28 0RD  
**Tel:** 01798 343695  
**Open:** F Sa (all year) • **Wine:** Sparkling

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### 10. NUTBOURNE VINEYARDS

Grapes have been grown at this picturesque vineyard for over 30 years. A wide range of aromatic and fruity white, rosé and red wines and award-winning traditional-method sparkling wine are produced. Visitors can taste the wines in the charming mill and are welcome to follow the vineyard trail too.

**Web:** [www.nutbournevineyards.com](http://www.nutbournevineyards.com)  
**Address:** Gay Street, West Chiltington, Pulborough, RH20 2HH • **Tel:** 01798 815196 • **Open:** Tu W Th F Sa (seasonal) • **Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé

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### 11. BOLNEY WINE ESTATE

Award-winning wines have been made at this family-run vineyard in West Sussex since 1972. A small, friendly bunch of people work hard to make the best handmade wines possible. Bolney was the UK Wine Producer of the year in 2012. Book a tour or enjoy a tasting over lunch in the delightful café.

**Web:** [www.bolneywineestate.com](http://www.bolneywineestate.com)  
**Address:** Foxhollow Lane, Bolney, Haywards Heath, RH17 5NB  
**Tel:** 01444 881575 • **Open:** Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

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### 12. RIDGEVIEW WINE ESTATE

Ridgeview was founded in 1995 by Mike and Chris Roberts and is dedicated to creating world-class bottle-fermented sparkling wines from classic grape varieties. The status of the wines is reflected by the number of national and international medals and the site includes a stunning new tasting room.

**Web:** [www.ridgeview.co.uk](http://www.ridgeview.co.uk)  
**Address:** Fragbarrow Lane, Ditchling Common, BN6 8TP  
**Tel:** 01444 241441 • **Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling

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### 13. COURT GARDEN VINEYARD

In the lea of the South Downs, Court Gardens has a long history of farming and appears on one of the earliest maps of Sussex; not much has changed in the landscape since. The vineyard was established in 2005 on a beautiful south-facing slope which is perfect for the production of sparkling wine.

**Web:** [www.courtgarden.com](http://www.courtgarden.com)  
**Address:** Orchard Lane, Ditchling, DN6 8TH  
**Tel:** 01273 844479 • **Open:** Sa (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

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### 14. BLUEBELL VINEYARD ESTATES

Established in 2005 and now covering almost 100 acres, the vineyard's favoured climate and terroir ensures that it is able to rival wines from around the world. Respect for the soils and vines, hand harvesting and careful fruit selection are the key to the excellence that is Bluebell's hallmark.

**Web:** [www.bluebellvineyard.co.uk](http://www.bluebellvineyard.co.uk)  
**Address:** Glenmore Farm, Sliders Lane, Furners Green, TN22 3RU • **Tel:** 01825 790395  
**Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White\*

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### 15. KINGSCOTE VINEYARDS

Kingscote Estate is set beside the Bluebell Steam Railway and offers the convenience of a vineyard visit by rail from the heart of London. Sparkling and white wine is made on-site and there is a wine shop as well as a visitor centre and cookery school in the adjacent beautifully restored title barn.

**Web:** [www.kingscotevineyards.com](http://www.kingscotevineyards.com)  
**Address:** Mill Place Farm, Vowels Lane, Kingscote, East Grinstead, RH19 4LG  
**Tel:** 01342 327535  
**Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White

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### 16. DENBIES WINE ESTATE

Denbies' indoor "Wine Experience" tours operate all year, and the outdoor vineyard train runs daily from March - November. This beautiful estate, set in 265 acres, is the UK's largest single estate vineyard and offers restaurants, accommodation, shopping, art gallery and 7 miles of public footpath.

**Web:** [www.denbies.co.uk](http://www.denbies.co.uk)  
**Address:** London Road, Dorking, RH5 6AA  
**Tel:** 01306 876616  
**Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

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### 17. BARNSOLE VINEYARD

Visitors are welcome to explore the vineyard and enjoy a free tasting at Barnsole; a one hour tour is also available for a small fee. The tour includes a talk about the vines we use and the wine making process. We finish with a tasting of the wines, which are sold exclusively from the winery door.

**Web:** [www.barnsole.co.uk](http://www.barnsole.co.uk)  
**Address:** Fleming Road, Staple, Canterbury CT3 1LG  
**Tel:** 07772 300511  
**Open:** M Tu W Th F Sa Su (all year)  
**Wine:** Sparkling, White, Red

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Queries, advertising enquiries for South East Wine Route 2016 or requests for additional maps to: [southeastvineyards@gmail.com](mailto:southeastvineyards@gmail.com)

## Open by appointment

The vineyards in the following list are open by appointment only (unless otherwise indicated), so please contact in advance to arrange a visit.

**18. ALBOURNE ESTATE**  
**Web:** [www.albourneestate.co.uk](http://www.albourneestate.co.uk)  
**Address:** Shaves Wood Lane, Albourne, BN6 9DX  
**Tel:** 01273 832341 • **Wine:** Sparkling\*, White

**19. ALBURY ORGANIC VINEYARD**  
**Web:** [www.alburyvineyard.com](http://www.alburyvineyard.com)  
**Address:** Shere Road, Albury, GU5 9BW  
**Tel:** 07557 275159 • **Wine:** Sparkling\*, White, Rosé

**20. BLACKDOWN RIDGE**  
**Web:** [www.blackdownridge.co.uk](http://www.blackdownridge.co.uk)  
**Address:** Blackdown Park, West Sussex, GU27 3BT  
**Tel:** 01483 275767 • **Wine:** Sparkling\*, White, Rosé, Red

**21. BREAKY BOTTOM VINEYARD**  
**Web:** [www.breakybottom.co.uk](http://www.breakybottom.co.uk)  
**Address:** Rodmell, Lewes, BN7 3EX • **Tel:** 01273 476427  
**Wine:** Sparkling

**22. CHALKSOLE VINEYARD**  
**Web:** [www.themarquisatalkham.co.uk](http://www.themarquisatalkham.co.uk)  
**Address:** Alkham Valley Road, Alkham, Dover, CT15 7DF • **Tel:** 01304 873410 • **Wine:** Sparkling

**23. CHARLES PALMER VINEYARDS**  
**Web:** [www.charlespalmer-vineyards.co.uk](http://www.charlespalmer-vineyards.co.uk)  
**Address:** Wickham Manor, Wickham Rock Lane, Winchelsea, TN36 4AG • **Tel:** 01797 226216  
**Wine:** Sparkling

**24. GREYFRIARS VINEYARD**  
**Web:** [www.greyfriarsvineyard.co.uk](http://www.greyfriarsvineyard.co.uk)  
**Address:** The Hog's Back, Putterham, GU3 1AG  
**Tel:** 01483 813712 • **Wine:** Sparkling, White, Red

**25. GUSBOURNE ESTATE**  
**Web:** [www.gusbourne.com](http://www.gusbourne.com)  
**Address:** Kenardington Road, Ashford, Appledore, TN26 2BE • **Tel:** 01233 758666 • **Wine:** Sparkling, White, Red

**26. HIGH CLANDON**  
**Web:** [www.highclandon.co.uk](http://www.highclandon.co.uk)  
**Address:** Clandon Downs, High Clandon, GU4 7RP  
**Tel:** 01483 225660 • **Wine:** Sparkling

**27. HERBERT HALL WINES**  
**Web:** [www.herberthall.com](http://www.herberthall.com)  
**Address:** Poultry Farm, Plain Road, Marden, Tonbridge, TN12 9LS  
**Tel:** 07956 163519 • **Wine:** Sparkling

**28. MOUNT HARRY VINES**  
**Web:** [www.mountharrywines.wordpress.com](http://www.mountharrywines.wordpress.com)  
**Address:** Ditchling Road, Lewes, BN7 3QW  
**Tel:** 01273 474456 • **Wine:** Sparkling

**29. PLUMPTON COLLEGE**  
**Web:** [www.plumpton.ac.uk/departments/wine-and-wine-research/21](http://www.plumpton.ac.uk/departments/wine-and-wine-research/21)  
**Address:** Ditchling Road, Lewes, BN7 3AE  
**Tel:** 01293 890454 • **Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

**30. RHS WISLEY**  
**Web:** [www.rhs.org.uk/wisley](http://www.rhs.org.uk/wisley)  
**Address:** Woking, Surrey, GU23 6QB • **Tel:** 0845 260 9000  
**Open:** Every day except Christmas Day. Garden admission charges apply, free for RHS members  
**Wine:** White

**31. STOPHAM ESTATE**  
**Web:** [www.stophamvineyard.co.uk](http://www.stophamvineyard.co.uk)  
**Address:** Stopham, Pulborough, West Sussex, RH20 1EE • **Tel:** 01798 865666 • **Wine:** Sparkling, White

**32. THE MOUNT VINEYARD**  
**Web:** [www.themountvineyard.co.uk](http://www.themountvineyard.co.uk)  
**Address:** Church Street, Shoreham, Sevenoaks, TN14 7SD  
**Tel:** 01959 524008 • **Wine:** Sparkling, White, Rosé, Red

**33. WEST FISHER WINERY**  
**Web:** [www.westfisher.co.uk](http://www.westfisher.co.uk)  
**Address:** The Old Stables, Skid Hill Farm, Skid Hill Lane, Chelsham, CR6 9PP • **Tel:** 01883 621364  
**Wine:** Sparkling\*, White, Rosé, Red

**34. WOODCHURCH VINEYARD**  
**Web:** [www.woodchurchwine.co.uk](http://www.woodchurchwine.co.uk)  
**Address:** Susan's Hill, Woodchurch, TN26 3RE  
**Tel:** 07796 693935  
**Wine:** Sparkling

## Not open

These vineyards are not open to the public, but some sell online.

**BARTLEY MILL VINEYARD** • **Tel:** 01892 891020  
**CHARTHAM VINEYARD**  
[www.charthamvineyard.co.uk](http://www.charthamvineyard.co.uk)

**CHENISTON** • **Tel:** 01444 440625  
**COMPTON COMBE** • **Web:** [www.bobsbuzz.com](http://www.bobsbuzz.com)

**NYETIMBER** • **Web:** [www.nyetimber.com](http://www.nyetimber.com)  
**OFF THE LINE VINEYARD**  
**Web:** [www.offthelinevineyard.com](http://www.offthelinevineyard.com)

**SIMPSONS' ESTATE** • **Web:** [www.simpsonswine.com](http://www.simpsonswine.com)  
**SUSSEX VINEYARDS**  
**Web:** [www.sussexvineyards.com](http://www.sussexvineyards.com)

**WESTWELL WINES**  
**Web:** [www.westwellwines.co.uk](http://www.westwellwines.co.uk)  
**WISTON ESTATE** • **Web:** [www.wistonestate.com](http://www.wistonestate.com)

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- 🍷 Wine route vineyard
- 📍 Vineyard open by appointment
- 📍 Other tourist attraction
- ⋯ County boundary
- ⋯ SE Wine Route
- 📞 Online sales
- 🍷 Tastings
- 🍴 Restaurant / Cafe
- 🛒 Shop
- 🏠 Accommodation
- 🍷 Vineyard trail\*\*
- 📅 Bookable tours
- 🏠 Venue Hire

\*Where a weekday has an asterisk next to it, the vineyard is closed on that day outside of season. Where a style of wine has an asterisk, it refers to future production.  
\*\*Vineyard Trail either means a marked trail for self-guided tours or public footpaths cross the property.  
While we have endeavoured to include accurate, up to date information, we cannot be held responsible for omissions or errors and advise checking the vineyard's website or contacting them directly before making a special journey.  
Suggested routes are indicative only; map not to be used for navigation purposes.

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