# New Hampshire's WINE & CHEESE TRAILS





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with three Scenic ariving loops through
the heart of New England.











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The New Hampshire countryside boasts

beautiful vineyards, apple orchards and rustic farms. Picture perfect pastures, home to grass-fed cows and hand-milked goats, lure you to experience the culinary wonders of the area—wine and cheese, a match made in heaven. Taste award-winning fruit and grape wines at local wineries and sample delicious fresh cheeses at local dairy farms. Meet the winemakers and dairy farmers who supply local markets and you will appreciate their passion for farming. Take time to shop at one of the many farmers' markets where you will find local products, while savoring New Hampshire's stunning scenery, history, great food and comfortable accommodations.



The New Hampshire wine and cheese trails, and the fine restaurants and lodgings along each trail, extend a warm welcome to travelers. New Hampshire is committed to bringing the very best from farm-to-table in a movement

known as "Farm to Restaurant Connection," a collaboration between growers, producers and chefs. Choose one of the many restaurants to wine and dine, and enjoy a variety of mouth-watering local products. Stay at a unique B&B or a renowned inn, resting up for a new day of exploring. Visit New Hampshire for a continuous adventure in taste...

# NEAR COAST

The largest and oldest wineries in the state are located near the coast where grapes thrive from the milder temperatures and longer growing season. Start your tour at Candia Vineyards in Candia, one of New England's mostawarded boutique vineyards, situated on some of the oldest farmland in New Hampshire. A forgotten grape, Diamond, was brought back into production at Candia Vineyards, where it delights the unsuspecting with an intense aroma and a fruity off-dry style. There are also many other fine wines to try here. Tours and tastings are held most days, but it's best to call first for availability.

Drive toward the Seacoast, and you'll find Zorvino Vineyards in Sandown. Wine is made here from grapes grown on 80 acres of land as well as from grapes grown in California, Chile and Italy. In addition, their award-winning wines made from local New Hampshire fruit are growing in popularity. The vineyard offers tastings and tours, and the retail store sells Zorvino food products made from wine. Tasty wine-maker dinners are scheduled throughout the year, and the winery is available for private parties and weddings.



Closer to the coast, you'll arrive at Jewell
Towne Vineyards on the shores of the scenic
Powow River in South Hampton. Learn the
art of wine making and sample delicious
estate-made wines in a rustic post and beam
barn that serves as the tasting room, winery,
gift shop, and art gallery. Jewell Towne's

award winning wines (over 115 medals to

date) include many traditional

NEAR COAST

78 miles
4 vineyards
6 wineries
1 dairy

2-3 days

favorites, but their most
noteworthy accomplishments
come from cool climate
hybrid grape varieties such as
Seyval, Maréchal Foch, Leon Millot,

Vignoles, and Vidal. Open year round!

Practically neighbors with Jewell Towne, Sweet Baby
Vineyard in Kensington creates handcrafted wines
produced from grapes and locally grown fruit. The
blueberry wine has a very distinctive color, made from
100% New Hampshire mountain-grown wild blueberries.
They are open Wednesdays and weekends from April
through mid-October.

Down the road, Piscassic Pond Winery in Newfields produces Scandinavian style Mead and Honey Wines that are dry to semi-sweet. On a hot summer's day refresh yourself with the Elderberry wine; in the fall the Pumpkin Spice wine will warm your soul. Tours and tastings are by appointment.

Further along, Flag Hill Winery & Distillery in Lee proudly produces red and white wines made from grapes grown on their 120 acre property. Spectacular views of the state's

largest vineyard make an excellent backdrop for weddings, picnics, and strolling walks or tours. Learn how vodka is distilled and enjoy tasting a wide variety of red, white, fruit, and dessert wines and port or delight your taste buds with such spirits as Sugar Maple Liqueur. Open Wednesday through Sunday, year round.

Cleanse your palate at **Brookford Farm**, just off Route 4 in Rollinsford, offering raw milk and cream, pasteurized yogurt, cream cheese and fresh mozzarella all made from a small herd of mostly Jersey cows pastured on 280 acres of certified organic land. The farm welcomes visitors daily from 9-5 for tours, and the retail store is open around the clock!



# VALLEY VINEYARDS, ORCHARDS & DAIRIES

As you move up and down the western border of the state, you can feel the history, rich agricultural traditions and unparalleled beauty of the Connecticut River Valley.

Begin your ride at Boggy Meadow Cheese Plant in Walpole where they transform raw milk from a dairy herd of Holsteins into sumptuous cheese from old Alpine recipes.

The buttery Baby Swiss tastes nutty and sweet, and the Fiddlehead Tomme is cave-aged for over six months, creating a rich flavor. Visitors are welcome for tours and to sample and purchase cheese directly from the farm. Be sure to call ahead; hours vary.

Up the hill, the newly opened Walpole Mountain View Winery at Barnett Hill Vineyard crafts red and white wines from over 25 different varieties of grapes. Their Frontenac Gris grape produces a refreshing white wine with aromas and tastes of peach, apricot and citrus. In contrast, their Frontenac red carries aromas of cherry, plum and chocolate, with hints of vanilla, anise and clove. Call ahead for tours, tastings and shop hours.

Wind your way up Route 10 to Silver Mountain Farms in
Lempster, where they make traditional hard cider and allnatural fruit wines with delicious apples from nearby
orchards. Taste the delightful honey apple wine in two styles –
semi-sweet and sweet – along with blueberry, black cherry and

raspberry wines. They are open weekends year-round for tours and tastings; call ahead on weekdays.

Follow Routes 12 and 120 North to Farnum Hill Ciders at Poverty Lane Orchards in Lebanon. Tasters are welcome to stroll the apple orchards and experience more than

100 varieties of heirloom, antique and cider apples. Be sure to try Farnum Hill's world-class ciders – dry, sparkling and lightly alcoholic.

Open seven days a week Labor Day

through Halloween; call in advance for exact picking conditions and hours.

Continue through the upper valley on Route 10 to Robie Farm in Piermont. Taste the Piermont, Swaledale, Gruyere and Manch-vegas cheeses all made from raw milk, aged on wood and with natural rinds. The farm provides tours and a large retail store selling cheese, raw milk, ice cream, baked goods and other local products. Open seven days a week, all year long.



Nestled in the foothills of the White Mountains sits Landaff Creamery in Landaff, a small unique farmstead cheese creamery producing Landaff Cheese from a traditional Welsh recipe. Stop by to take a self-guided tour of the creamery.

Finally head north to **North Country Orchard** in Whitefield, an apple orchard and winery, producing Crooked Tree Ciders and Yankee Bee Honey. Open weekends for tours and tastings, from mid-September to the end of October. This destination is perfect for a scenic drive during New Hampshire's brilliant fall foliage season!

# MEANDER THE MERRIMACK VALLEY

**Located** in the heart of the state, Manchester serves as a gateway to the Merrimack Valley and Lakes Region. Very



VALLEY
VINEYARDS

| 64 miles

| vineyard
| 4 mineries
| 3 dairies

2-3 days

close by, La Belle Winery in Amherst is an award-winning boutique winery transforming local fruit into spectacular wine. Picked at its peak, then pressed and fermented the same day, the fruit results in exceptionally fresh and balanced wine. The ravishing Red Raspberry wine and Jalapeño Pepper wine explode with intense aromas and flavors. Tours, tastings and monthly open houses are offered. Winery visits are by appointment only.



Driving north off Interstate 93, look for **The Black Dog Vineyard** in Salisbury, an up-and-coming winery opening in 2010. They are already making an outstanding La Crescent wine – a semi sweet white wine with aromas of citrus and peach and flavors of apricot and honey. Travelers are welcome to drop in to see how the winery is developing.

In Gilmanton Iron Works, **Heart Song Farm** offers fresh and mold-ripened goat cheeses, fresh eggs and goat meat from May through October. They also offer fresh, local produce in season. Baby goats make visits to this scenic setting fun for the whole family. Best to call ahead!

Arriving in the Lakes area, **Stone Gate Vineyard** in Gilford, produces wine from native and French cold climate grapes. A few popular wines are Aurore, Marechal Foch, Leon Millet and Seyval. Complimentary tours and tastings are offered on weekends, June through November, or by appointment.

With dramatic vista views, travel along the northern edge of Lake Winnipesaukee to The Sandwich Creamery, in Center Sandwich. The small creamery produces cow's milk farmstead cheeses in many varieties—aged raw milk cheddar, brie, and Caerphilly, to name a few—as well as a variety of soft cheese spreads. They have thirty flavors of fresh ice cream and sorbet to enjoy while relaxing in the colorful flower gardens. The shop is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, on the honor system. Tours are by appointment, but you can visit the cows anytime.

Continue around the southeast side of the lake to Via Lactea Farm in Brookfield, a classic farm store and goat dairy. Products include chevre, feta, aged cheeses, yogurt and raw milk. Visit the farm store for their amazing homemade maple syrup and other farm fresh products. Tours, tastings and special events are planned Wednesdays through
Sundays from March to
December, or by appointment.
In and around the Lakes Region, you'll find lovely rustic style cottages to spend a night or

an entire season...

MEANDER THE
MERRIMACK
159 miles
2 vineyards
3 wineries
3 dairies
2-3 days

# VINEYARDS, WINERIES & DAIRIES MAP LISTINGS

Use this map to plan out your own wine and cheese trail! Locations are approximate.

Please contact each vineyard or dairy for exact directions or go to visitnh.gov for more detailed maps and area information.

#### NEAR COAST TRAIL

- 1. Candia Vineyards
- 2. Zorvino Vineyards
- 3. Jewell Towne Vineyards
- 4. Sweet Baby Vineyard
- 5. Piscassic Pond Winery
- 6. Flag Hill Winery & Distillery
- 7. Brookford Farm

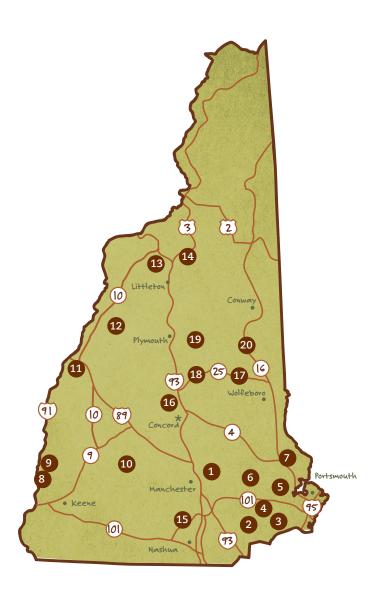
#### VALLEY VINEYARDS

- 8. Boggy Meadow Cheese Plant
- 9. Walpole Mountain View Winery at Barnett Hill Vineyard
- 10. Silver Mountain Farms
- 11. Farnum Hill Ciders at Poverty Lane Orchards
- 12. Robie Farm
- 13. Landaff Creamery
- 14. North Country Orchard

## MEANDERING THE MERRIMACK & LAKES

- 15. La Belle Winery
- 16. The Black Dog Vineyard
- 17. Heart Song Farm
- 18. Stone Gate Vineyard
- 19. The Sandwich Creamery
- 20. Via Lactea Farm





# VINEYARDS AND WINERIES ADDRESS LISTINGS

## The Black Dog Vineyards

289 New Road, Salisbury, NH 03268 603-648-2339 • theblackdogvineyards.com

#### Candia Vineyards

702 High Street, Candia, NH 03034 603-867-9751 • candiavineyards.com



## Farnum Hill Ciders at Poverty Lane Orchards

98 Poverty Lane, Lebanon, NH 03766 603-448-1511 • farnumhillciders.com

# Flag Hill Winery

297 North River Rd (Rte 155), Lee, NH 03861 603-659-2949 • flaghill.com

# Jewell Towne Vineyards

65 Jewell Street, South Hampton, NH 03827 (Entrance to winery at 183 Whitehall Road) 603-394-0600 • jewelltownevineyards.com

### La Belle Winery LLC

100 Chestnut Hill Road, Amherst, NH 03031 603-828-2923 • labellewinerynh.com

### North Country Orchard

35 Stickney's Road, Whitefield, NH 03598 603-837-9174 • crookedtreecider.com

#### Piscassic Pond Winery

38 Oaklands Road, Newfields, NH 03856 603-778-0108 • nhmead.com

#### Silver Mountain Farms

223 South Road, Lempster, NH 03605 603-477-2026 • silvermountainciders.com

### Stone Gate Vineyard

27 David Road, Gilford, NH 03246 603-524-4348 • stonegatevineyard.com

#### Sweet Baby Vineyard

204 South Road, Kensington, NH 03833 603-347-1738 • sweetbabyvineyard.com



# Walpole Mountain View Winery at Barnett Hill Vineyard

114 Barnett Hill Rd., Walpole, NH 03608 603-756-3948 • bhvineyard.com

## Zorvino Vineyards

226 Main Street, Sandown, NH 03873 603-887-8463 • zorvino.com

# DAIRIES ADDRESS LISTINGS



# Boggy Meadow Farm

13 Boggy Meadow Lane, Walpole, NH 03608 603-756-3300 • boggymeadowfarm.com

#### Brookford Farm

70 Sligo, Rollinsford, NH 03869 603-742-4084 • brookfordfarm.com

### Heart Song Farm

70 Tibbetts Rd., Gilmanton Iron Works, NH 03837 603-364-4628 • heartsongfarmnh.com

### Landaff Creamery

460 Mill Brook Road, Landaff, NH 03585 603-838-5560 • landaffcreamery.com

#### Robie Farm

25 Route 10, Piermont, NH 03779 603-272-4872

#### Sandwich Creamery

134 Hannah Rd, North Sandwich, NH 03259 603-284-6675 • sandwichcreamery.com



#### Via Lactea Farm

366 Stoneham Road, Brookfield, NH 03872 603-522-3626 • vialacteafarm.com



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