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WINERIES & VINEYARDS

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Ask ten people how they would describe Fredericksburg, and you'll probably hear the word "charming" ten times. Set in the picturesque Texas Hill Country, Fredericksburg's viticultural area (that's just a fancy way of saying the land where wine grapes are grown) spans a whopping 110 miles, and it's the second most popular wine destination in the U.S.

The epicenter of Fredericksburg's wine culture is found along a stretch of U.S. Highway 290, aptly named "Wine Road 290." Wine enthusiasts and novices alike travel this road to visit 17 of Fredericksburg's wineries and vineyards. If possible, plan your visit over a long weekend so you have ample time to explore all of the award-winning wineries.

Much of Fredericksburg's charm can be attributed to its impressive lineup of bed and breakfasts and its quaint historic Main Street and Town Square, known as the Marktplatz (that's the city's German heritage sneaking in). Every fall, the Marktplatz hosts the Fredericksburg Food & Wine Festival, which brings together the latest innovations in Texas wine and culinary delights from across the region.

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1 1851 VINEYARDS

Established in 2016, this up-and-coming winery is located just outside of historic downtown Fredericksburg. **1851vineyards.com** • 4222 S. State Hwy 16 • **830.391.8510** • Thurs—Sat, 11am—6pm; Sun, noon—5pm

2 4.0 CELLARS

The ultimate Texas wine experience, featuring wines from Burleson, Comanche and Lubbock. **fourpointwine.com** • 10354 E. US-290 **830.997.7470** • Mon–Sat, 10am–6pm; Sun, 11am–5pm

3 ALEXANDER VINEYARDS

In addition to Texas wines, Alexander features a growing portfolio of wines from around the world. **alexandervineyards.com** 6360 Goehmann Ln. • **830.865.3975** • open daily 11am–6pm

4 ANDREUCCI WINES

Experience Italian wines imported from Tuscany in the heart of the Texas Hill Country. **andreucciwines.com** • 308 E. Main St. • **830.992.3273** Mon–Thurs, noon–7pm; Fri–Sat, 11am–9pm; Sun, 11am–6pm

5 ARMADILLO'S LEAP WINERY

A portion of sales from these fruit-driven single varietals and non-traditional blends goes to charity. **armadillosleap.com** • 6266 E. US-290 **830.998.8910** • Fri–Sat, 11am–6pm; Sun, 11am–5pm

6 BARONS CREEK VINEYARDS

Rent a villa and stay on property as you experience varietals including viognier, sangiovese and tempranillo. **baronscreekvineyards.com** 5865 E. US-290 • **830.304.3000** • Mon, Thurs, Fri, 11am–5pm; Sat, 10am–6pm; Sun, noon–5pm

7 BECKER VINEYARDS

One of Fredericksburg's most popular wineries, known for premium wines in the ambiance of a late 19th century German stone barn reproduction. **beckervineyards.com** • 464 Becker Farms Rd. • Stonewall **830.644.2681** • Mon–Thurs, 10am–5pm; Fri–Sat, 10am–6pm; Sun, noon–6pm

8 BELL MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS

Named for its location on the slopes of Bell Mountain, this winery offers Vina Rita wine cocktails. **bellmountainwine.com** • 463 Bell Mountain Rd. **830.685.3297** • Sat, 10am–5pm; weekdays by appointment

9 CHISHOLM TRAIL WINERY

Tour 15,000 gallons' worth of wine tank space, then enjoy a wood-fired pizza. **chisholmtrailwinery.com** • Nine miles west of Fredericksburg off Hwy. 290 at 2367 Usener Rd. • **830.990.2675** • Fri—Sat, noon—6pm; Sun, Mon, Thurs, noon—5pm

10 COMPASS ROSE CELLARS

Relax on the large porch or covered pavilion overlooking the Pedernales River Valley, or stay in one of three new onsite casitas. compassrosecellars.com • 1197 Hye-Albert Rd. • Hye • 830.868.7799 Fri–Sat, 11am–6pm; Sun, noon–5pm; Mon–Thurs by appointment

11 FAT ASS RANCH AND WINERY

A Texas original, the watermelon wine and sangria blanca are a must-try. $\textbf{fatasswines.com} \cdot 51 \ \text{Elgin Behrends Rd.} \cdot \textbf{830.644.2300} \cdot \text{Sun-Fri,} \\ \textbf{11am-5pm; Sat, 10am-6pm}$

12 FIESTA WINERY FREDERICKSBURG

Plan your visit to Fiesta on Saturday or Sunday afternoons, when live music plays. **fiestawinery.com** • 147 E. Main St. • **830.307.3328** Mon–Thurs, 10am–5:30pm; Fri–Sat, 10am–6:30pm; Sun, 11am–6pm

13 FREDERICKSBURG WINERY

Named among the top three wineries in Texas by *USA TODAY,* this winery only uses Texas grapes. **fbgwinery.com** • 247 W. Main St. **830.990.8747** • Mon–Thurs, 10am–5:30pm; Fri–Sat, 10am–7:30pm; Sun, noon–5:30pm

14 GRAPE CREEK VINEYARD

With more than 200 medals won in the last two years, this vineyard brings Tuscany to Texas. **grapecreek.com** • 10587 E. US-290 • **830.644.2710** Mon–Fri, 11am–5:30pm; Sat, 10am–5:30pm; Sun, 11am–5pm



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Every grape at this family-owned estate vineyard is harvested by hand in Texas. hilmywine.com • 12346 E. US-290 • 830.644.2482 • Mon–Sat, 11am–6pm; Sun, noon–6pm

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16 HYE MEADOW WINERY

Hye Meadow regularly experiments with new blends. **hyemeadow.com** 10257 E. US-290 • **855.493.9463** • Mon, Wed, Thurs, 11am–5pm; Fri–Sat, 11am–6pm; Sun, noon–5pm

17 INWOOD ESTATES WINERY & BISTRO

Named among The Daily Meal's 101 Best Wineries in America for 2016. inwoodwines.com • 10303 E. US-290 • 830.997.2304 • Mon–Thurs, 11am–5pm; Fri–Sat, 11am–6pm; Sun, 11am–5pm

18 KUHLMAN CELLARS

Kuhlman focuses on highlighting each fruit's strongest characteristics with minimal manipulation. **kuhlmancellars.com** • 18421 E. US-290 **512.920.2675(CORK)** • Thurs—Sat, 11am—6pm; Sun—Mon, noon—5pm

19 LEWIS WINES

Known for a subtle approach that showcases what Texas wine is all about. **lewiswines.com** • 3209 W. US-290 • Johnson City **512.987.0660** • open daily 10:30am–5pm

20 LOST DRAW CELLARS

The 2015 Arroyo rosé was named a Top 10 Texas Rosé by *Texas Monthly*. **lostdrawcellars.com** • 113 E. Park St. • **830.992.3251** Sun—Wed, noon—5pm; Thurs—Sat, 11am—6pm

21 MENDELBAUM CELLARS

The Texas Blend and Sea of Galilee are must-try varietals. **mendelbaumcellars.com** • 10207 E. US-290 • **830.997.7000** Mon, 11am–6pm; Tue–Wed, noon–5pm; Thurs, 11am–6pm; Fri–Sat, 10am–8pm; Sun, 11am–5pm

22 MESSINA HOF HILL COUNTRY WINERY

A reserve selection of ultra-premium and exclusive wines is unique to the Hill Country location. **messinahof.com/hillcountry** • 9996 E. US-290 **830.990.4653** • Mon–Wed, 11am–6pm; Thurs–Fri, 11am–7pm; Sat, 10am–7pm; Sun, 11am–6pm

23 NARROW PATH WINERY

Narrow Path's wines have been award-winning in non-commercial competitions since 2002. **narrowpathwinery.com** • 113 E. Main St. **830.992.1404** • Mon, Wed, Thurs, noon–6pm; Fri–Sat noon–7pm; Sun noon–4pm

24 PEDERNALES CELLARS

This boutique winery is known for producing benchmark tempranillo and viognier. **pedernalescellars.com** • 2916 Upper Albert Rd. • Stonewall **830.644.2037** • Mon–Thurs, 10am–5pm; Fri–Sat, 10am–6pm; Sun, noon–6pm

25 PONTOTOC VINEYARD WEINGARTEN

A new tasting room on Main Street is inspired by Vienna, perfectly complementing Fredericksburg's German and Northern European heritage. **pontotocvineyard.com** • 320 W. Main St. • **512.658.0023** Fri—Sat, noon—8pm; Sun, noon—5pm

26 RANCHO PONTE VINEYARD

A small-production winery known for its "Triple M" blend, a mix of merlot, mourvedre and moscat canelli. **ranchoponte.com** • 315 Ranch Rd. 1376 **830.990.8555** • Mon–Fri, 11am–5pm; Sat, 11am–6pm; Sun, 11am–5pm

27 RON YATES WINERY

Sip vintages in this contemporary 6,000 sq. ft. winery. **ronyateswines.com** • 6676 W. US-290 • Hye • **512.585.3972** • open daily 11am–6pm

28 SANTAMARIA CELLARS

A unique experience of 100% Texas-made wine with an Argentinean flare. **santamariacellarswines.com** • 12044 Hwy. 16 S. • **830.998.5357**Thurs, appointment only; Fri–Sat, 11am–5pm; Sun, noon–3pm

29 SIX SHOOTER CELLARS

Get a diverse taste of Texas wines from Ft. Worth, Kemah, Baytown, Grapevine, Navasota and Lubbock under one roof. **sixshootercellars.com** 6264 E. US-290 • **830.428.0810** • Mon–Thurs, 1pm–7pm; Fri–Sat, 11am–7pm; Sun, 1–5pm

30 TEXAS HILLS VINEYARD

Built right into the countryside, this winery provides a unique taste of the Hill Country. **texashillsvineyard.com** • 878 RR 2766 • Johnson City **830.868.2321** • Mon–Thurs, 10am–5pm; Fri–Sat, 10am–6pm; Sun, noon–5pm

31 TORRE DI PIETRA WINERY

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The vineyard is home to 10 Texas grape varietals in a Tuscan-inspired setting. **torredipietra.com** • 10915 E. US-290 • **830.644.2829** Sun-Thurs, 11am-5pm; Fri, 11am-7pm; Sat, 10am-6pm

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32 WEDDING OAK WINERY AT WILDSEED FARMS

Sip wine made from 100% Texas grapes in the picturesque setting of Wildseed Farms. **weddingoakwinery.com/visit-us-in-fredericksburg** 100 Legacy Drive • **830.997.2510** • open daily 10am–6pm

33 WILLIAM CHRIS VINEYARDS

William Chris wines strive to highlight the unique characteristics of each vineyard's fruit. williamchriswines.com • 10352 US-290 • Hye 830.998.7654 • Mon–Wed, 10am–5pm; Thurs–Sat, 10am–6pm; Sun, noon–5pm

34 WOODROSE WINERY

No wine snobs allowed—Woodrose produces approachable wines in a friendly setting. **woodrosewinery.com** • 662 Woodrose Ln. • Stonewall **830.644.2539** • Mon–Sat, 11am–6pm; Sun, noon–6pm

35 ZERO 815 WINERY

The name is inspired by the owners' wedding date, and the wines are made exclusively from Texas grapes. **zero815winery.com** 11157 W. US-290 • Hye • **830.644.2000** • open daily 10am–6pm

accommodations

For an authentic Fredericksburg experience, opt for a quaint bed and breakfast. Guest favorites include **Hoffman Haus, Outlot 201 Cottages** and **Sugar Berry Inn.**

VisitFredericksburgTX.com for a complete list of options or get a recommendation from one of these reservation services:

1st Class Lodging Reservation Service, fredericksburg-lodging.com 909 E. Main St., 855.422.8181 • Absolute Charm Luxury Bed & Breakfasts, absolutecharm.com, 709 W. Main St., 866.244.7897 • Fredericksburg Guest House Reservations,

fredericksburgguesthousereservations.com, 830.997.5839 • **Gästehaus Schmidt Reservation Service**, fbglodging.com,
231 W. Main St., 866.427.8374 • **Main Street B&B Reservation Service**,
travelmainstreet.com, 337 E. Main St., 888.559.8555 • **Vacasa**,
vacasa.com/usa/texas/fredericksburg, 417 E. Main St., 830.515.4787

where to shop

The flagship location of Magnolia Pearl is a full-sensory vintage experience that transports guests to another time and place.

Hand-picked antiques abound at Carol Hicks Bolton Antiquities,
Gus's Antiques, Room No. 5., and FarmHaus Antiques. Smitten is curated by a mother-daughter duo with a knack for vintage and antique décor and local art. Vaudeville combines a gourmet bistro with home décor, while Haberdashery Boutique outfits locals in eclectic, feminine apparel and accessories. Locals are buzzing about new store, Blackchalk Home and Laundry.

dining

Local Favorites: Alamo Springs Café, 830.990.8004 • Hill Top Café, 830.997.8922 • Burger Burger, 830.997.5226 • Hondo's on Main, 830.997.1633 • breakfast at Airport Diner at the Hangar Hotel, 830.997.4999 • Otto's, 830.307.3336 • Stout's Trattoria at Grape Creek Vineyards, 830.644.2710 • Vaudeville Bistro on Main, 830.992.3234 • Woerner Warehouse Café, 830.997.2246

Fine Dining: Cabernet Grill, 830.990.5734 • August E's, 830.997.1585

Wine Bar & Tapas: Treaty House, 830.997.0909