A Guided Wine Tour

Why take a guided wine tour in Kelowna? Give yourself a holiday within a holiday.

Why? You won't get lost on all those beautiful, but curvy and often poorly marked, back roads. You will not have to be a designated driver! Be aware that impaired driving rules are stricter in BC than elsewhere – it's 0.5 here. Best of all, you can sit back and relax and let someone else navigate in a luxury, air conditioned van with lots of room to store your wine. **It's completely stress free!**

A tour company can show you the special hidden gems, the new, the historic and the 'tried and true' wineries to visit. Sip old and new world varieties, try the Okanagan's crisp whites and perhaps taste Ice Wine, a BC specialty.



Your professional guide maps out where to go first and last, because he knows who is open early and late. Tap into this local knowledge; let the pros do the legwork. We offer a variety of tours to choose from. Can't decide which winery to visit? Guided Winery Tours Operators choose the ones that offer the best experience.

Note that there can be a difference between a custom tour and a private one. If you want the vehicle to yourself you may have to pay more when you choose the option to book the entire tour. The large Sprinter van holds 11 passengers but smaller groups of 5 or 6 passengers or less can be accommodated on a private tour. If you are considering this option phone us to make arrangements and get the right price. Private tours are available for morning or afternoon pickup (the Afternoon Wine Tour).

If you have something specific in mind ask for a private and customized tour, we describe may wine routes on the website. Since these tours require booking an entire van the availability of a vehicle will be more restricted. When booking a private tour you typically have to book well in advance. The fastest way to find out if your date is available is to go online and select a private tour on you date. The system will tell you if it is available at that moment. You can book on line or by phoning us. We'll pick you up at your hotel, rented condo, or B & B at a time we confirm 2 hours prior to pickup. We will keep you safe and return you home without having to do any driving. This is a chance to meet other people on your tour from around the world and make the most of your time. Go home happy with all the right wines and the bragging rights.



Afternoon Wine Tours may be the best option for you. Pickup from the hotel is typically around 1 pm to 1:30 pm, allowing you to sleep in or do something else in the morning. Plus you can choose where to have lunch before the tour starts. These tours typically run 3.5 to 4.5 hours and are less expensive. You visit the same number of wineries, usually 4 and sometimes 5, as you would in a day tour. Because of the shorter duration of the tour and doing all your wine tasting after lunch, guests will be less tired than on a day tour and more likely to enjoy another outing in the evening. With the mornings free, you can enjoy a visit to the beach, shopping or other activities before the tour. Red Dog Wine Tour afternoon tours can be booked the same day and up to 30 minutes before pickup times start at 12:30 pm. Book online or call 1-866-477-5266.

Let our professional guide with local knowledge take you around to our Kelowna wineries, give you the story on each winery and Kelowna's wine industry and local history and be your designated driver. **You just can't beat it!**



Red Dog Wine Tours

Afternoon Sightseeing Wine Tours - Kelowna

- Hotel or home pickup 1:00 1:30 pm
- 3.5 to 4.5 hour tour to 4 wineries, no lunch.
- Wine-tasting fees included with tour fee.
- Book online before NOON of tour or call us.



West Kelowna Afternoon Sightseeing Wine Tour. Tour residential and rural areas dotted with vineyards and wineries, opposite spectacular views over Okanagan Lake. Travel along the famous Westside Wine Trail. Visit 4 or 5 wineries, a variety of types including a visit to one of BC's most iconic wineries.

Kelowna Afternoon Sightseeing Wine Tour.

A city with a long agricultural history and the oldest vineyards and wineries in the valley. Enjoy views of orchards, vineyards and Okanagan Lake. Visit 4 or 5 wineries, from Urban to Farm-gate to Lake view wineries. Including a visit to BC's most visited winery.

Private Wine Tours. Choose from a selection of wine trails ranging from Lake Country, Kelowna Lakeshore, Kelowna Farmgate, West Kelowna, Summerland and Naramata. Flexible start times, day tours with lunch or afternoon tours. Call us for details.

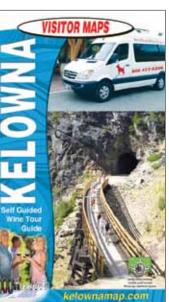
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What you should know before you go on a <u>Self Guided</u> Wine Tour.

You may have seen a picture or an ad for a winery in a tourism publication that looks like one you wish to visit. Or tasted their

wine at home or at friends so want to see where it is made. Combine your must sees with the wine routes available. This will make the most efficient use of your time. Read ahead about the wineries if you have the time as there are a lot to choose from – with over 40 wineries in Kelowna, Lake Country and West Kelowna alone.

Start by picking up fold out **"Kelowna Visitor Maps"** from any hotel or tourism outlet. Red Dog Wine Tours is also the publisher of this Map. The big map shows the location of every winery in the greater Kelowna area.

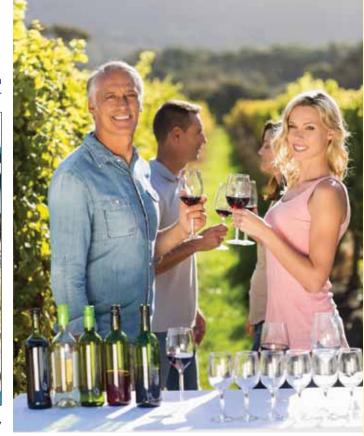


A special section of the map called **"Self Guided Wine Tour Guide"** shows a smaller less detailed version of the big map and has photos and small write-ups on 10 select wineries. Some wineries have restaurants you may also want to visit. Talk to the friendly guest services staff at the hotel or tourism outlet to help you sort out the ones to visit. They may have some good suggestions, as many will have been to some of the wineries in the area.

A self guided tour allows you to come and go as you please. Call ahead to make reservations at winery patio restaurant if you plan on having lunch or dinner. No need to book wine tastings in advance but be sure to check hours of operation.

Wineries tasting fees vary, usually ranging from free to between \$5 and \$10 per guest. Some are as high as \$15 per person. You taste 4 or 5 wines and consume a minimum of 15 ml (about a tablespoon or $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce) of each wine, typically it is twice that at 1 ounce. With four samples, that is $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 glass of wine per person, per winery. Ice wines are more expensive and may not be included in the standard tasting fee. Tasting fees are typically waived, but not always, if you purchase a bottle of wine.

Some people will be legally intoxicated after doing tastings at 2 wineries. In BC there are serious consequences if you're caught driving with a blood-alcohol content above 0.05. If you want to visit several wineries, and not worry about one of you being a designated driver, consider the option of a guided wine tour.



Take a scenic tour in a Mercedes van through Kelowna or West Kelowna's residential and rural areas. The routes are dotted with orchards, vineyards and wineries opposite spectacular views of Okanagan Lake and the valley. Visit 4 specially selected wineries with a variety of types and themes. Wine tasting and presentations at each winery is already pre-arranged by your tour guide. Tasting fees at the winery are included in your tour fee. Tour also includes informative live commentary from a seasoned local guide as you travel though scenic routes. Our tour will take 3.5 to 4.5 hours.

Tours and Gift Vouchers can be purchased online.



Red Dog Guide to Wine Tours



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