Appellation Wine Tours

Queenstown, Southern Lakes

Central Otago Wine & Gourmet Tours



The Central Otago wine region is renowned above all for superb Pinot Noir, but also for its delicate Riesling and Chardonnays and enjoyable Pinot Gris and Rosé wines.

Appellation Wine Tours has set the wine touring benchmark in New Zealand with a selection of outstanding wines, a team of quality, certified guides & an important contribution to Wine Tourism. Significantly this was recognized in 2011, 12 & 13 winning NZ Great Wine Capitals Best of Wine Tourism Service award. More recently, they won LTG's Wine Tour Operator of the Year 2017, "Hall of Fame" status with Trip Advisor, & awarded Gold level Qualmark status.

With over 18 years of experience showcasing the magnificent world class Central Otago wine regions, Appellation Wine Tours will guide you through the vineyards of Gibbston, Bannockburn and Cromwell, sampling fine wine and artisan food from each region. Most daily tours are kept to a maximum of 12 adults, ensuring an interactive yet personalised experience with vineyard staff and owners.

Appellation also offers custom private wine tours for large groups, special interest groups, events or occasions, and can work closely with you to design your ultimate day out with other optional activities within Central Otago.







Classic Wine Tour

Sample some of the best of the region on this fun and interactive group tour. Travel through the rugged Kawarau Gorge and learn about the pioneering history and spirt of the area before settling into sampling what the region is internationally renowned for.

Taste wines at 3 spectacular wineries within the Gibbston region, take a tour through New Zealand's largest wine cave and take time to relax with a glass of wine and cheeseboard.

Departs 13.00 | Duration 4 hours

This tour is also available on a private basis.

Boutique Wine Tour

An afternoon amongst the boutique vineyards and superb scenery of the Central Otago Wine region. Taste at 4 of the region's vineyards - 2 in the Gibbston Valley and 2 in Bannockburn / Cromwell region, enjoy a sumptuous gourmet platter lunch, bathe in the amazing scenery and learn about the gold history of this diverse region.

Departs 11.00 | Duration 5 ½ hours

This tour is also available on a private basis.

Gourmet Scenic Wine Tour

An indulgent and varied full-day tour seeing local sights, enjoying fresh cuisine and tasting a selection of fine wines, cheeses and handcrafted chocolates. Taste wines at 4 premium vineyards over 2 Central Otago wine regions. Included is the Gibbston Valley wine cave tour, a splendid cheese and wine presentation and a lavish lunch consisting of 5 dishes cooked in wine barrels and paired with matching wines – just devine! Visit the historic precinct of Old Cromwell and return to Queenstown via the must-see Arrowtown with time to take a stroll and sample locally made chocolates at one's leisure.

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Departs 9.30am | Duration 7 hours

This tour is also available on a private basis.



Directions

Pick-up is from the Station Building (corner of Shotover and Camp Street), or from pre-arranged CBD accommodation.

Terms

CHILD POLICY Children over 6 are welcome on our daily tours. Car seats need to be pre-arranged.

CANCELLLATION Bookings are non-refundable within 48 hours of cancelling.

SEASON Open all year

CLOSURES Due to vineyard closures we do not run tours on Christmas Day, Good Friday and Anzac Day

Recommendations

Ask about our Golf & Wine combos with a morning round of golf at Millbrook or Jacks Point and an afternoon private wine tour.

Accommodation in this area

- Arrowtown House
- The Dairy
- Mt Rosa Lodge
- Pitches Store