

The first grapes were planted in the Bendigo region in 1856 just after the start of the massive gold rushes which brought tens of thousands of hopeful diggers from all over the world to seek their fortunes.

They brought with them a lust for gold, but also the wine and food knowledge of Europe and it was only a few years before the judges at the 1873 Vienna Exhibition were heard to exclaim of Bendigo's early Hermitage that "no Colonial wine can be that good".

Today regular visitors to the Bendigo region fondly refer to it as 'The Winemakers' Region' since the majority of the wineries in the area are family owned. Most have the winery and cellar door outlet set amongst the vines from which the wine is made and visitors will often meet the winemakers, sleeves rolled up, tending their vines or working in the winery.

The climate of Central Victoria is Mediterranean-like, with spring rain and long hours of summer sunshine. These conditions are ideal for growing Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon. The region is justly famous for its rich, ripe and deeply flavoured varietal wines.

Take the time to experience and explore a selection of more than 30 cellar doors in the region.



Our Annual Wine Events

Bendigo Winemakers Festival

*Held every Easter Sunday
Castlemaine Botanical Gardens*

Stunning garden setting with more than 30 wineries represented, in many cases by the winemakers themselves. A chance to sample the best wines of the region.



Bendigo Heritage Uncorked

*Held every second weekend in October
Bendigo Central Business District*

Bendigo's iconic moveable feast event showcases the best of Bendigo - local wine, quality restaurants and grand gold rush architecture.



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Bendigo Rich Ripe Reds



Your guide to
our cellar doors.



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Open 7 Days

1	Kangderaar Vineyard	5438 8292
7	Water Wheel Vineyards	5437 3060
8	Connor Park Winery	5437 5234
9	Sandhurst Ridge Winery	5435 2534
12	Balgownie Estate	5449 6222
16	Bendigo Wine Estate	5439 7444
20	Chateau Doré Winery	5439 5278
23	Big Hill Vineyard	5435 3366
29	Harcourt Valley Vineyards	5474 2223

Open Weekends & Most Weekdays

2	Blanche Barkly Wines	5438 8223
4	Glenalbyn Winery	5438 8255
11	Marong Vineyard	5435 2473
15	Avonmore Estate	5432 6291
17	Rivergate Wines	5439 7367
18	Mandurang Valley Winery	5439 5367
22	Chateau Leamon	5447 7995

Open Weekends & Public Holidays (or by arrangement at other times)

3	Passing Clouds	5438 8257
5	Old Loddon Wines	5437 3197
6	Pondalowie	5437 3332
14	Wellbush Vineyard	5448 8515
21	Lynnevale Estate	5439 3635
24	Belvoir Park Estate	5435 3075
25	Bullock Creek Vineyard	5435 3207
27	Butterfly Crossing	5474 2567
28	BlackJack Vineyards	5474 2355
30	Langanook Wines	5474 8250
32	Nuggetty Vineyard	5475 1347
33	Chaperon Wines	5435 7427

Open By Appointment

10	Burnt Acre Vineyard	5435 2519
13	BRIT Winery	1300 554 248
19	Tannery Lane Vineyard	5439 3227
26	Sutton Grange Winery	5474 8277
31	Lake Cairn Curran Vineyard	5476 2523

No Cellar Door

Black Estate Vineyard	5442 8048
Glenwillow Vineyard	5448 4711
Knots Wines	0417 391 622
Newbridge Wines	0438 210 330
Sanctuary Hill	5443 2624
Sheer Drop Wines	0417 244 410
Turners Crossing	0427 843 528

