



What To Do When

HOW TO TASTE A GOOD WINE?

ROUTE # 2 THE EASTERN WINE ROUTE



PREAMBLE

HOW DID WE SELECT THE VINEYARDS?



You often ask us: "We would like to taste a good wine, where can we go? L'Atelier's team has mobilized and concocted 4 wine routes from the hotel (North, East, West and South). They are the fruit of a long "wine making", based on word of mouth, our experience, and especially, on our visits on the spot.

Châteauneuf-du-Pape is often the first ^{er}place you think of. You're right, it is one of the places you can't miss. Our goal is to show you that there are so many others. Within an hour's drive from L'Atelier, you have access to treasures!

To integrate our selection, we made sure that the domains met the following 3 criteria:

- ❖ A WISH TO WELCOME : Nothing worse than visiting a domain and not feeling welcomed. Problem solved, the domains present in this selection await you with open arms, at least with a free tasting in the cellar. Some even offer wine tourism activities, free or paid, to give you a great experience. Of course, all of this within the limits of the opening hours (Cf. Practical information at the end of the tour - Attention, these are the Seasonal Hours).
- ❖ AN ENVIRONMENTAL APPROACH: The estate respects the earth and the health of its customers. Very often, it is in organic or biodynamic agriculture or has the label "HVE - High Environmental Value".
- ❖ WINE QUALITY: We are not Parker! We have no desire to rate wines. We simply want you to discover wines whose quality is, in our opinion, indisputable. They are the references of their terroirs. After that, it's all a matter of taste...!

Beyond these purely objective criteria, the wine routes are above all a moment of emotion, an invitation to discover multiple territories and to meet beautiful people. During our tour, we were struck by the passion of the men and women who will welcome you. Many of these vineyards are real family adventures, sometimes started centuries ago, and where each generation proudly passes the baton. Their passion is communicative. It inspires. It questions. It moves. Isn't that the meaning of the journey...?

WhatToDoWhen... Taste a good wine?

ROUTE #2

THE EASTERN WINE ROUTE...

IT'S A **250 KM**
LOOP THAT WILL
TAKE YOU TO
THE...



... OF 10
VINEYARDS
BETWEEN THE
VENTOUX AND THE
LUBERON!

... WILL LEAD IN **22**
STEPS TO THE
DISCOVERY...





MY OPINION

The eastern wine route is one of my favourites, as tickling the foot of the Ventoux, then crossing the Monts du Vaucluse and the Luberon in succession inevitably embellish your tasting day. Everything is beautiful, terribly Provencal, full of taste, while keeping its authenticity.

We suggest you visit majestic properties, such as Pesquié or Val Joanis, charming estates, such as La Canorgue or La Verrerie, or more confidential and favourite estates, such as Domaine Mayol.

These two original museums in Turcan and La Citadelle are also a good initiative.

The route will also take you to some of the most beautiful villages in Provence (Vénasque, Oppède, Bonnieux, Ménerbes, Lourmarin, Ansouis, Lauris). Good reasons not to stay up too late, especially as the sun rises in the East!

WhatToDoWhen

CHATEAU PESQUIE

CONSULT OUR MAP



ROUTE #2 THE EASTERN WINE ROUTE

3 days - 250 kms (4h15)

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ROUTE #2 THE WINE ROUTE EAST OF AVIGNON



Vineyard



Detour



On the road



Loop of 250 kms



Recommended time: 1 day

CÔTES-DU-VENTOUX

1. **Pesquié Castle**
2. **Unang Castle**
3. **The village of Vénasque**

LUBERON

4. **Domain of Peyre**
5. **The Village of Oppède-le-Vieux**
6. **Domain of La Citadelle**
7. **St-Hilaire Abbey**
8. **Canta Cabra Farm**
9. **La Canorgue Castle**
10. **The Julien Bridge**
11. **The Mines of Bruoux**
12. **Domain of Mayol**
13. **The Combe de Lourmarin**
14. **The Castle of Lourmarin**
15. **Val Joanis Castle**
16. **La Bastide du Laval**
17. **Turcan Castle**
18. **Ansouis Castle**
19. **Les Terres de Mas Lauris**
20. **Les Terrasses de Lauris**
21. **La Verrerie Castle**
22. **The ornithological observatory of Mérindol**



DEPARTURE

TAKE THE EASTERN WINE ROUTE

1 PESQUIE CASTLE



- **THE LITTLE PLUS :**
Lots of free and paid activities are offered.
- **OUR OPINION :**
The place is beautiful, with very nice views on the Mont Ventoux and the village of Mormoiron. Wine is also worth the detour!



3 DETOUR

VILLAGE OF VENASQUE

- Don't miss the Baptistery (9th).
- Village perched on a rocky outcrop.

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

A dream vineyard, isolated in the forest of Malemort, lovingly run by James.

• OUR OPINION :

We love this type of family property. Everything is there: the soul, the quality of the wine, the beauty of the site, the horses, the view of the Mont Ventoux.

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UNANG CASTLE



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DOMAIN OF PEYRE

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

It is difficult not to see this property, ideally placed on the road to the villages of the Luberon.

• OUR OPINION :

It is a place of life that we appreciate very much (art, chapel, etc.). The wines are festive and gourmet. Perfect for the holidays!

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DETOUR

VILLAGE OF OPPEDE-LE-VIEUX

Provence is in the
"Petit Café"



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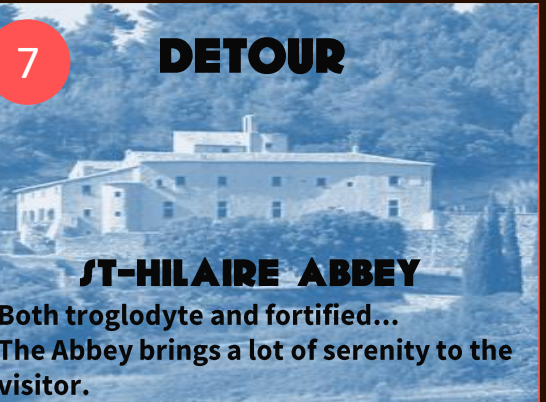
DOMAIN OF LA CITADELLE



SUITE

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DETOUR



ST-HILAIRE ABBEY

- Both troglodyte and fortified...
- The Abbey brings a lot of serenity to the visitor.

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

On the estate, a botanical garden and a corkscrew museum provide some very nice moments.

• OUR OPINION :

Wine is a must in the Luberon. The visit of this domain is just as much. Say hello to Geneviève on our behalf.

DEPARTURE

CONTINUE WITH THE EASTERN WINE ROUTE

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DETOUR



CANTA CABRA FARM

If you like goat cheese, the 60 goats of this farm have prepared delicious (organic) cheeses and yoghurts for you

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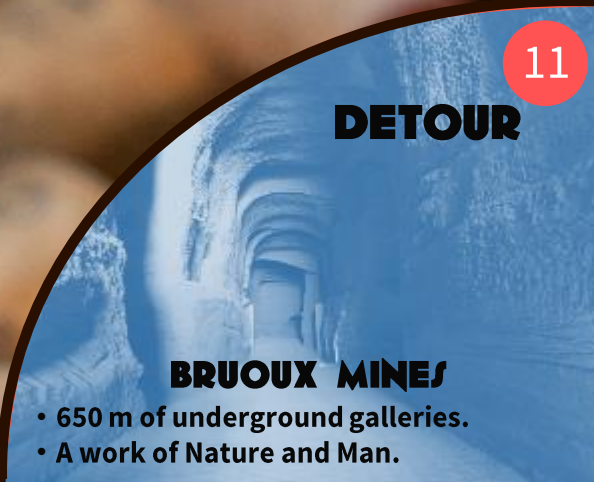
LA CANORGUE CASTLE



- **THE LITTLE PLUS :**
Family estate, pioneer of organic wine (since 1979).
- **OUR OPINION :**
The simplicity and charm of Provence give the feeling of being privileged.
We understand Ridley better
Scott and Peter Mayle
"A Good Year".

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DETOUR



BRUOUX MINES

- 650 m of underground galleries.
- A work of Nature and Man.

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DOMAIN OF MAYOL



• THE LITTLE PLUS :

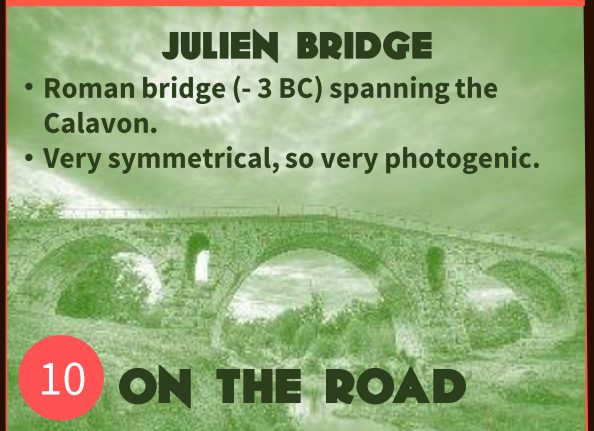
A pleasant and expert welcome will allow you to better understand the estate and its terroir.

• OUR OPINION :

Beyond its reputation, the property offers an educational walk in the vineyards, with a 360° view on the Luberon.

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ON THE ROAD



- Roman bridge (- 3 BC) spanning the Calavon.
- Very symmetrical, so very photogenic.

JULIEN BRIDGE

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ON THE ROAD

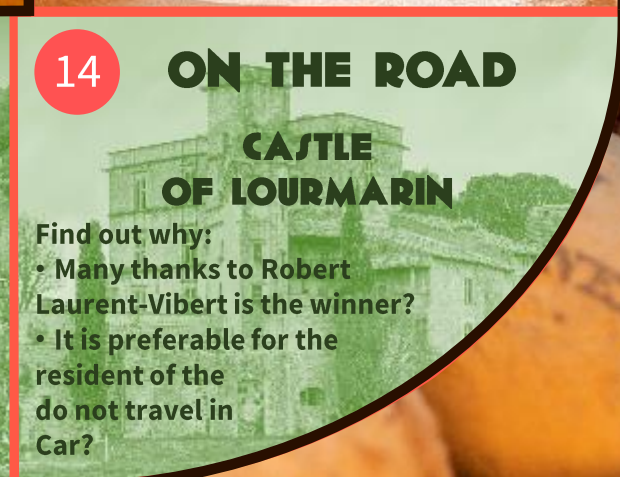


LA COMBE OF LOURMARIN

This scenic route will allow you to cross the North Luberon to the south.

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ON THE ROAD



CASTLE OF LOURMARIN

Find out why:

- Many thanks to Robert Laurent-Vibert is the winner?
- It is preferable for the resident of the do not travel in Car?

SUITE

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

The combination of wine and garden is a success.
Local products on sale. Weddings sometimes allow you to arrive too late.

• OUR OPINION :

We particularly like "Joséphine" (rosé) and "Les Griottes" (red).



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VAL JOANIS CASTLE

DEPARTURE

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BASTIDE DU LAYAL

One of the best olive oils in the region.
Free visit of the olive grove with
audioguide and free tasting.

17 TURCAN CASTLE

- **THE LITTLE PLUS :**
The Museum of Wine Professions gives you a better understanding of what you have in your glass. Can you find the Shaker on the bottle and in the museum?
- **OUR OPINION :**
At the foot of the Mourre Nègre, this beautiful domain family is very welcoming.

DID YOU KNOW?

The main grape varieties in the Luberon are :

**GRENACHE NOIR, SYRAH,
CINSULT AND MOURVEDRE**

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CASTLE OF ANSOUIS

One of the most beautiful castles in Provence.

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MAS LAURIS

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

Gravity cellar, organic farming, manual harvest... Everything is done to offer a wine that respects the Luberon.

• OUR OPINION :

Beautiful and welcoming property in the middle of its vineyards, all in one piece.

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TERRACES OF LAURIS

Free access to the terraces and garden of the castle, offering a splendid view of the Durance Valley

END

22 ON THE ROAD

MÉRINDOL ORNITHOLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

A 1-hour loop to discover the Durance and its water birds.

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

A real approach to welcoming and sharing the "La Verrerie" know-how.

• OUR OPINION :

The haute-couture of Luberon wines, with notably the Grand Deffand.

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LA VERRERIE CASTLE



PRACTICAL INFORMATION - EASTERN WINE ROUTE

Vineyard



Château Pesquié	04 90 61 94 08	Monday to Saturday: 10am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting. Pathway. Picnic basket 50 €. Workshop 35 €.
Château Unang	04 90 69 91 37	Monday to Saturday: 10am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting. 2 trails. Picnic basket. Visit of the Chai.
Domaine des Peyre	06 08 92 87 71	Every day from 9am to 7pm.	Free tasting.
Domaine de la Citadelle	04 90 72 41 58	Every day from 9am to 7pm.	Free tasting. Botanical garden/ Corkscrew Museum 5 €.
Canta Cabra Farm	06 29 24 74 39	Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12pm / 4pm to 6pm.	Sale at the farm.
Château La Canorgue	04 90 75 81 01	Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting and sale.
Domaine Mayol	04 92 89 01 96	Monday to Friday: 8am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting and sale. Educational visit in the vineyard 8 €.
Château Val Joanis	04 90 79 20 77	Tuesday to Friday: 2pm to 5pm.	Free tasting / Free visit of the gardens.
Bastide du Laval	04 90 08 95 80	Monday to Saturday: 10am to 1pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Tasting, visits of the path (audioguide) and the mill are free.
Château Turcan	04 90 09 83 33	Every day from 10am to 12:30pm / 3pm to 7:30pm.	Free tasting. Visit of the museum of wine professions.
Les Terres de Mas Lauris	06 79 80 03 35	Every day from 8am to 6pm.	Free tasting.
Château La Verrerie	04 90 08 97 97	Monday to Friday: 10am to 6:30pm. Saturday, Sunday and Fridays: 10am to 1pm / 3pm to 6:30pm.	Free tasting. Guided tour of the cellar 15 €, vineyards 30 € (+ Picnic 55 €). Wine truck. Shop.