



WhatToDoWhen

HOW TO TASTE A GOOD WINE?

ROUTE # 1 **THE NORTHERN 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 #1

THE NORTHERN WINE ROUTE...

IT'S A **155 KM**
LOOP THAT WILL
TAKE YOU TO
THE...



... OF **19**
VINEYARDS
FROM TAVEL TO
CAIRANNE!

... WILL LEAD IN **26**
STEPS TO THE
DISCOVERY OF...





MY OPINION

This is the most famous wine route around Avignon, the one that leads you from Tavel to Cairanne. The most prestigious appellations, in particular Châteauneuf-du-Pape, are located along this route.

Beyond the good wine addresses communicated, this route has the good idea to make you discover villages and breathtaking landscapes. It would be a shame to visit only the cellars of the estates. Take the time to stop in the charming places that we suggest a little further on.

The passage through the Dentelles de Montmirail is, for example, an enchantment, especially between April and June. The tiny village of La Roque-Alric is the highlight of the show.

The villages of Gigondas, Sablet or Séguret poetically guard the Dentelles. Beautiful viewpoints are promised to the courageous who will perch there. Have a good trip!

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CONSULT OUR MAP

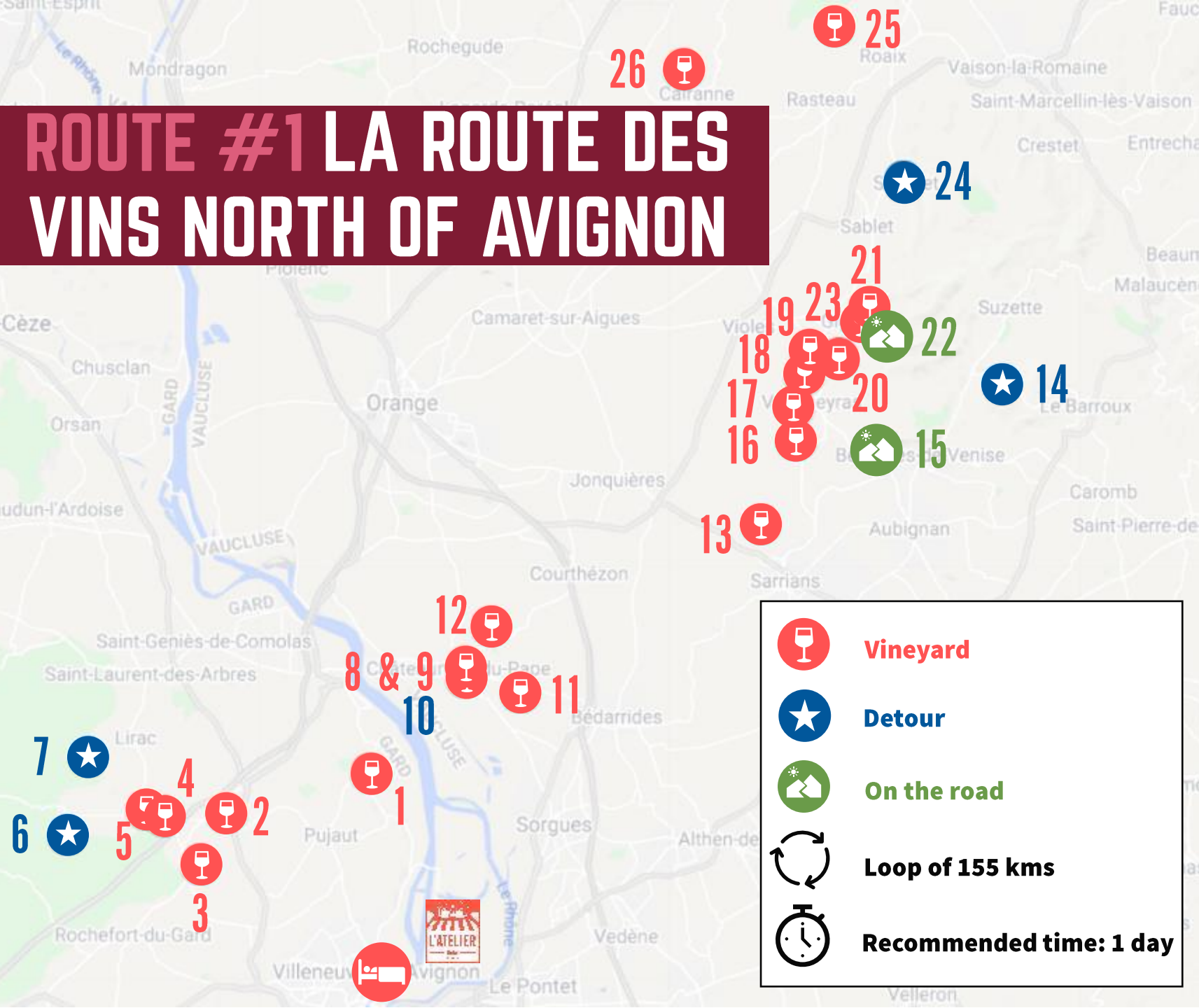


AQUERIA CASTLE






ROAD #1 THE NORTHERN WINE ROUTE

3 days - 155 kms (3h30)

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ROUTE #1 LA ROUTE DES VINS NORTH OF AVIGNON

-  Vineyard
-  Detour
-  On the road
-  Loop of 155 kms
-  Recommended time: 1 day

TAVEL - LIRAC - CÔTES DU RHÔNE VILLAGES

1. **Domaine des Bouzons**
2. **Aqueria Castle**
3. **The Prieuré de Montézargues**
4. **Domaine de la Mordorée**
5. **Domaine Maby**
6. **The Orientation Table of Tavel**
7. **Walk to the Hermitage of the Ste-Baume**

CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

8. **Brotte House**
9. **Ogier House**
10. **View from the Château de Châteauneuf**
11. **Château La Nerthe**
12. **Château de Vaudieu**

BEAUMES-DE-VENISE - VACQUEYRAS

13. **Brunely Estate**
14. **The village of La Roque-Alric**
15. **The Chapel of Our Lady of Aubune**
16. **Château des Roques**
17. **Le Clos des Cazaux**
18. **Domaine de la Monardière**
19. **Domaine de Fourmone**
20. **Le Clos de Caveau**

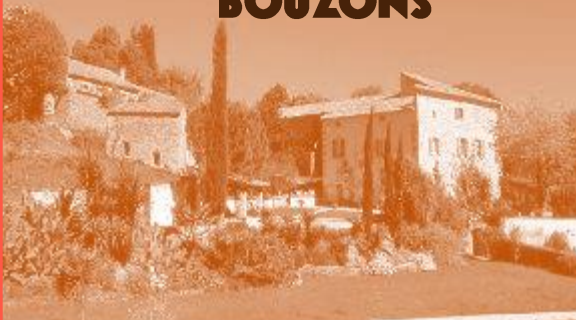
GIGONDAS - RASTEAU - CAIRANNE

21. **Saint-Cosme Castle**
22. **The Village of Gigondas**
23. **Cellar of Gigondas**
24. **The Village of Séguret**
25. **Domaine des Escaravailles**
26. **Marcel Richaud Estate**

TAKE THE NORTHERN WINE ROUTE

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DOMAINE DES BOUZONS



- **THE LITTLE PLUS :**
Meet the friendly Serguier family. It feels like home.
- **OUR OPINION:**
Félicité is THE wine to have in your cellar!
The 100% Syrah is a marvel.

WELCOME ON THE LANDS OF TAVEL AND LIRAC

DID YOU KNOW?

The grape varieties of the Rosé de Tavel are mainly :

**BLACK GRENACHE
CINSULT**



WHAT AM I?



A WOODCOCK ...
AND ALSO THE LOGO DU
DOMAINE DE LA MORDORÉE.

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

An interactive and autonomous walk. Very easy access from the hotel.

• OUR OPINION:

A "safe bet" in Lirac.
The pleasure of strolling through the grounds of a real Provencal castle.

DOMAINE AQUERIA

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LE PRIÈURE DE MONTEZARGUES

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

A wine that knew Philippe Auguste (12th century)!

• OUR OPINION :

A Tavel rosé of consistent quality. A sure value.
A place in the middle of the vineyards where you feel good.

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DOMAINE DE LA MORDORÉE



• THE LITTLE PLUS :

100% organic, dynamic and welcoming family estate. Here, everything starts with the "health" of the land and the grapes. The rest follows. Simple, isn't it!

• OUR OPINION :

The Mordorée wines have personality, as shown by the Reine des Bois and the Dame Rousse.

CONTINUE THE NORTHERN WINE ROUTE

GUESS?

With the help of the Maby wine range, guess what Richard Maby's (owner) passion is?

THE OPERA

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DOMAINE MABY

- **THE LITTLE PLUS :**
A wine "on the side" of the Rhône, known and recognized.
- **OUR OPINION:**
Our favourite Tavel rosé.
The Lirac La Fermade is to be tasted.

DID YOU KNOW?

Châteauneuf-du-Pape is known for its 13 grape varieties. The main ones are :

BLACK GRENACHE
MOURVÈDRE
SYRAH



WELCOME ON THE LANDS OF CHATEAUNEUF- DU-PAPE

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DETOUR

WALK TO THE HERMITAGE OF ST. BAUME

- Parking on the path leading to the hermitage
- Duration: 1 hour AK

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DETOUR

THE ORIENTATION TABLE OF TAVEL



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BROTTE HOUSE



• THE LITTLE PLUS :

A magnificent wine museum (audioguide)! An essential step to understand the specificities of the Rhone valley.

• OUR OPINION :

Wide choice of quality wines from the blend or the estate. We especially like the Fiole du Pape.

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OGIER HOUSE



• THE LITTLE PLUS :

Expert in the knowledge of its soils (red sandstone, saffron, rolled pebbles, limestone chips). Centuries-old winery.

• OUR OPINION :

The place is welcoming, from the tasting room to the staff.

CONTINUE THE NORTHERN WINE ROUTE

RESTORE YOURSELF!

Châteauneuf-du-P. and its surroundings are full of good restaurants:

- **BISTRO 23 (COURTHÉZON)**
- **MOTHER GERMAÏNE**
- **THE POPES' ORCHARD**
- **FINE ROCKS**

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DETOUR

VIEW FROM THE CHATEAU DE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

- Parking in front of the castle.
- The castle was the residence of the Popes.

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CASTLE LA NERTHE



WELCOME ON THE LANDS OF VACQUEYRAS AND GIGONDAS

• THE LITTLE ONE:

The haute-couture continues with Vaudieu, proud of its 250 years. The house and its park set the tone.

• OUR OPINION:

We like the finesse of the tannins in the reds (sand) and the minerality (limestone) in the whites. The white "Le Plateau des Chênes" is a marvel at this price.

CHÂTEAU VAUDIEU



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• THE LITTLE ONE:

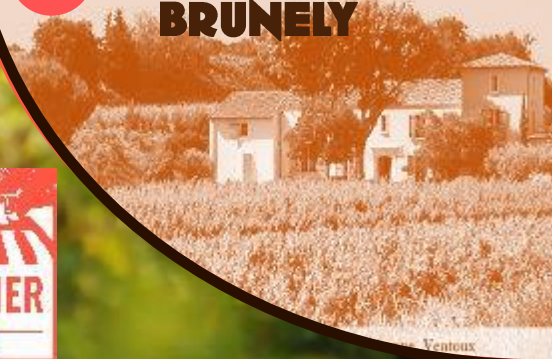
A prestigious and magnificent domain. The reputation of the place is evident at every stage of the visit.

• OUR OPINION:

Le Blanc du Château La Nerthe is our a good thing!

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DOMAINE BRUNELY



• THE LITTLE PLUS :

A wide range of wines is offered. The estate is extensive and allows the tasting of 5 appellations. Most of the vines are between 20 and 60 years old.

• OUR OPINION :

This is the good little address I like to recommend. Vacqueyras and Gigondas are my favorites.

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DETOUR



LA ROQUE-ALRIC

- The road to the Dentelles de Montmirail.
- 3 villages: Suzette, Lafare and La Roque-Alric

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ON THE ROAD



THE CHAPEL OF NOTRE- DAME D'AUBUNE

- A jewel of Romanesque art (12th century)
- A beautiful medieval garden.

CONTINUE THE NORTHERN WINE ROUTE

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CHÂTEAU DES ROQUES



- **THE LITTLE ONE:**
A troglodyte cellar! Amazing, isn't it?
- **OUR OPINION:**
Very good Vacqueyras from a passionate family determined to offer you the best, both in terms of the visit and the wine.

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THE CLOS DES CAZAUX



- **THE LITTLE ONE:**
Protecting the earth at all costs is the domain's trademark!
- **OUR OPINION:**
The welcome is warm. You can feel the passion and hard work. It is natural that his Vacqueyras and Gigondas make you happy!

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DOMAINE DE LA FOURMONE



- **THE LITTLE ONE:**
Authenticity ! The Vache family wishes to offer a real local wine, without artifice.
- **OUR OPINION:**
The welcome is simple and warm. Of course, a tasting of the 2 Monardes is a must.

DOMAINE DE LA MONARDIERE

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- **THE LITTLE ONE:**
Protecting the earth at all costs is the domain's trademark!
- **OUR OPINION:**
The welcome is warm. You can feel the passion and hard work. It is natural that his Vacqueyras and Gigondas make you happy!

• **THE LITTLE ONE:**

The small inner courtyard makes you want to take your time. The team is young!

• **OUR OPINION:**

Both Vacqueyras and Gigondas, the Combe family offers wines whose value for money is excellent.

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LE CLOS DE CAVEAU



- **THE LITTLE PLUS :**
A specialist in Vacqueyras and its terroirs ("vino-geology" is a science!). The estate is at a higher altitude and creates concentrated wines.
- **OUR OPINION :**
The passionate team brings a very pleasant educational side, in addition to a good moment of Tasting.

DID YOU KNOW?

The white grape varieties in the Rhone Valley are mainly :

**GRENACHE BLANC, CLAIRETTE
MARSANNE, ROUSSANNE
VIOGNIER**



CONTINUE THE NORTHERN WINE ROUTE

WELCOME ON THE LANDS OF GIGONDAS, RASTEAU AND CAIRANNE

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CASTLE OF SAINT COSME

• THE LITTLE PLUS:

There are "monads here (understand a (e.g., "soul"). Ask the owner to find out more.

• OUR OPINION:

I like the idea that beauty and history give birth to great wines. Louis Barruol is a rare individual who brings meaning to what he "touches".

DETOUR

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VILLAGE OF SEGURET

- A "Most beautiful Village in France".
- Eat at the Mesclun with its unforgettable view.

• THE LITTLE ONE:

ALL the wines of Gigondas in one place, at the price of the property.

• OUR OPINION:

An essential stopover to visit the village and discover a large choice of Gigondas. Good, warm and competent welcome.

CELLAR OF GIGONDAS

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ON THE ROAD

VILLAGE OF GIGONDAS

We love the Saint-Cosme's chapel

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DOMAINE DES ESCARAVAILLES

• THE LITTLE ONE:

We love this Scarab, symbol of the estate. How did it get there? The Ferran family will tell you.

• OUR OPINION:

So let's say it right away, access to the domain is not easy. In fact, this is precisely its charm. An authentic and isolated side. Enjoy the view, with a glass of "La Ponce"!

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DOMAINE MARCEL RICHAUD

• THE LITTLE PLUS :

THE reference in the Cairanne appellation, made by a "passionate" winegrower, a pioneer in organic farming. Marcel Richaud's standards are limitless, to our great delight.

• OUR OPINION :

From "Terres d'Aigles" to the masterpiece "Les Ebrouscades", it's gourmet. A wine to share with friends.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION - NORTHERN WINE ROUTE

Vineyard



Domaine des Bouzons	04 66 90 04 41	From Thursday to Saturday 14h30-18h. Or by appointment.	Free tasting.
Château Aqueria	04 66 50 04 56	Monday to Friday: 8am to 12pm / 1:30pm to 5:30pm.	Free tasting. Free audio-guided tour.
Le Prieuré de Montézargues	04 90 83 70 11	Monday to Friday: 8am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting.
Domaine de la Mordorée	04 66 50 00 75	Monday to Friday: 8am to 12pm / 1:30pm to 5:30pm.	Free tasting. Viste Cave 10 / Cave gourmande 25 €.
Domaine Maby	04 66 50 03 40	Monday to Friday: 8am to 12pm / 1:30pm to 5:30pm.	Free tasting. Open Saturday in July and August.
Maison Brotte	04 90 83 70 07	Every day: from 9am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting. Museum visit 6 € (> 18 years).
Maison Ogier	04 90 39 32 41	Monday to Saturday: 9am to 6pm.	Free tasting. Visit and tasting 1h. 15 € per person.
Château La Nerthe	04 90 83 59 04	Every day: 10am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting. Guided tour of the cellar and tasting 12 €.
Château de Vaudieu	04 90 83 70 31	Monday to Friday: 8am to 12:30pm / 2pm to 5:30pm.	Free tasting.
Brunely Estate	04 90 65 41 24	Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am to 12:00 pm / 1:30 pm to 5:30 pm.	Free tasting. Appointment possible on Fridays and Saturdays.
Château des Roques	04 90 65 85 16	Monday to Friday: 8am to 12pm / 1:30pm to 5:30pm.	Free tasting.
Le Clos des Cazaux	04 90 65 85 83	Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12:30pm / 2pm to 6:30pm.	Free tasting.
Domaine de la Monardière	04 90 65 87 20	Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12:30pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting.
Domaine la Fourmone	04 90 65 86 05	Monday to Saturday: 9:30 am to 6 pm.	Free tasting.
Le Clos de Caveau	04 90 65 85 33	Every day: 10am to 12pm / 2pm to 7pm.	Free tasting and vineyard tour. Guided cellar tour 15 €.
Château Saint-Cosme	04 90 65 80 80	Monday to Friday: 9am to 12pm / 2pm to 5pm.	Free tasting and philosophical discussion.
Cellar of Gigondas	04 90 65 82 29	Every day: 10am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting.
Domaine des Escaravilles	04 90 46 14 20	Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12pm / 2pm to 6pm.	Free tasting.
Marcel Richaud Estate	04 90 30 85 25	Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12pm / 2pm to 5:30pm.	Free tasting.