



TEXAS FINE WINE



Texas Fine Wine

Established in 2013, Texas Fine Wine is a group of five highly respected wineries making quality, benchmark wines from Texas grapes. Texas Fine Wine includes Bending Branch Winery in Comfort, Brennan Vineyards in Comanche, Duchman Family Winery in Driftwood, Pedernales Cellars in Stonewall and Spicewood Vineyards in Spicewood.

Our wineries take great pride in sourcing grapes from estate vineyards as well as working with some of the best growers around the state to secure exceptional fruit in Texas AVAs such as the Texas Hill Country and Texas High Plains.

Our experienced winemakers seek to make world-class wines that reflect the climate, terroir and spirit of Texas. As a result, the Texas Fine Wine wineries have collectively been awarded hundreds of medals from some of the most prestigious wine competitions.

Cheers!





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TEXAS HIGH PLAINS

TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

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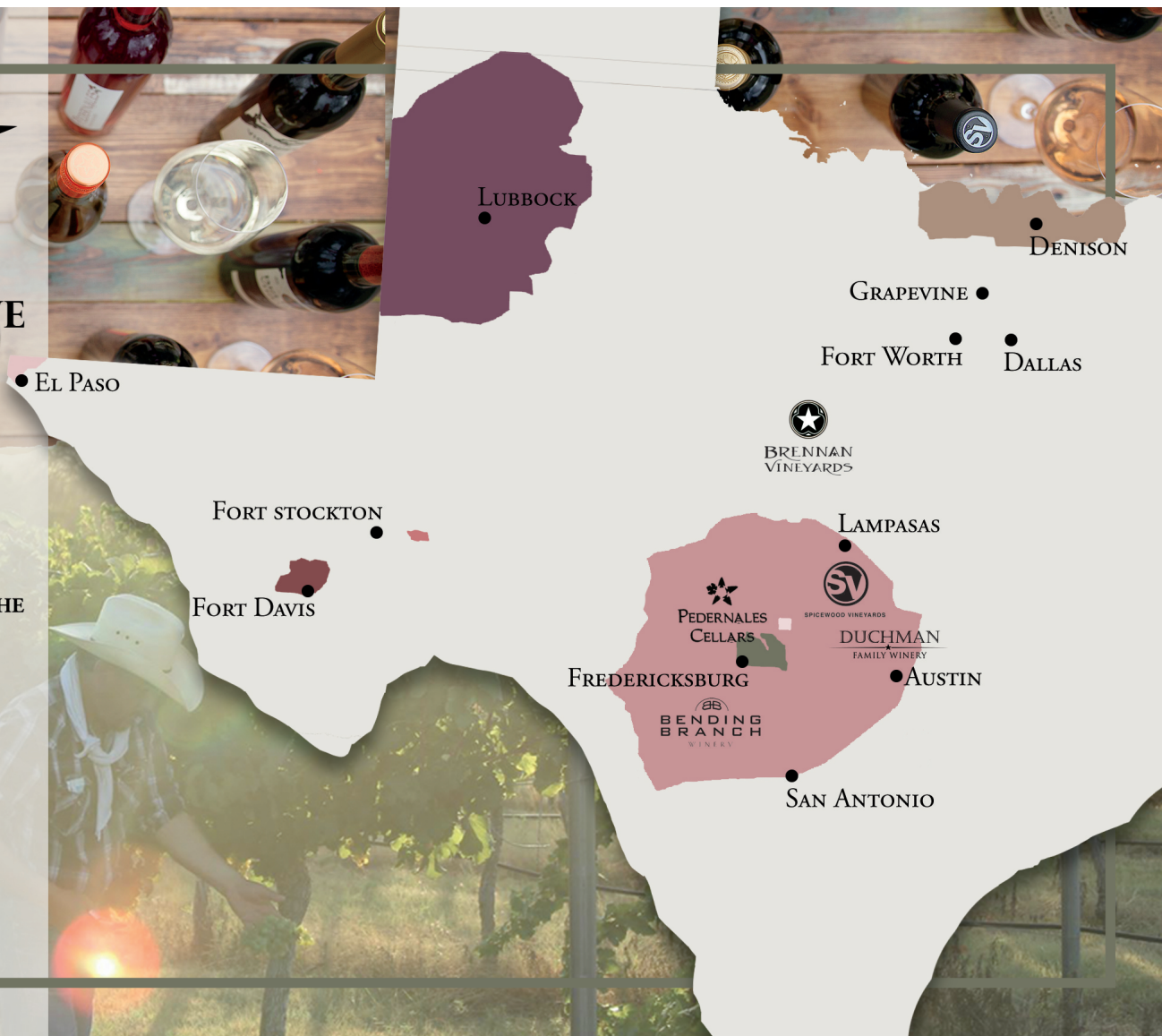
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The Story of Texas Wine

One of the oldest wine growing states in the nation, Texas got its start in wine production with Spanish missionaries making some of the first recorded wines in the 1650s in what is now El Paso. Modern-day production of Texas wine, however, started in the late 1970s, with significant strides made in the 1990s.

With about 4,000 acres under vine, the two primary grape growing appellations are the Texas Hill Country and Texas High Plains.

The second largest AVA in Texas, the Texas High Plains grows about 80 percent of the state's grapes. Its calcareous soil has rich red sand and clay over caliche – a terroir similar to that found in Coonawarra in Australia. Its vineyards can be found at elevations of 3,000 to more than 4,000 feet, with long sunny days and cool nights, providing a significant diurnal shift in temperatures. While at risk of late-spring freezes, many vineyards have invested in wind fans and other technologies to limit damage from these weather challenges.

The largest AVA in Texas and second largest in the country, the Texas Hill Country is home to beautiful rolling hills and pristine creeks, with elevations up to 2,100 feet. Its soils include limestone, granite, clay and sandstone.

While early wine grape growers planted international varieties, the industry over the past decade realized that Mediterranean varieties thrive in the Texas terroir. Now the industry is seeing great promise in white varieties such as Viognier, Vermentino, Trebbiano and Roussanne and red varieties that include Tempranillo, Tannat, Mourvèdre, Montepulciano, Aglianico, Grenache, Cinsault, among others.



A boutique winery near Comfort, Bending Branch Winery is known for intense wines – from the high acidity in Picpoul Blanc to the bold tannins in its Tannat. The winery uses innovative winemaking processes such as Cryo-Maceration and Thermoflash (the only unit in Texas) to improve color, structure and the taste of Texas red wines.



Dr. Robert W. Young, Winemaker

Robert W. Young, MD, is the owner-winemaker at Bending Branch Winery who completed the Winemaker Certification Program at the University of California-Davis. Bob's philosophy combines the old school art of winemaking with the latest science and technology to make the best wines.





Mourvedre

A promising grape for Texas, Mourvedre offers notes of blackberry, blueberry, sweet spices and smoky, savory notes



Tannat

The signature wine for Bending Branch, its Texas Tannat has rich notes of dried plum and fig, along with warm winter baking spices



Primary Varieties:

Picpoul Blanc, Viognier, Roussanne, Tannat, Tempranillo, Petite Sirah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Mourvèdre, Sagrantino, and Souzão

Notable Awards:

Double Gold, San Fransisco International Best in Show, Texsom International Top Texas Wine, Houston Rodeo




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BRENNAN
VINEYARDS

Brennan Vineyards is located in one of the oldest remaining homesteads in Texas, dating back to 1876. Its adjacent 33-acre estate vineyard, established in 2002, provides beautiful Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon and Viognier fruit. The winery philosophy is based on taking a minimalist approach, blending Old World traditions with modern innovations.



Todd Webster, Winemaker




Todd Webster has been the Brennan Vineyards winemaker since 2010, where he learned his craft on the job as well as through the Texas Tech University and Washington State University viticulture programs. Todd's winemaking philosophy is "doing less is more," with a focus on getting the best quality fruit as possible.





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BRENNAN
VINEYARDS

Primary Varieties:
Viognier, Roussanne, Cabernet
Sauvignon, Mourvèdre, Tempranillo,
Syrah, Montepulciano and Nero d'Avola

Notable Awards:
Double Gold, San Francisco International
Gold, Teksom International
Double Gold, Houston Rodeo Uncorked!

Distribution:
Republic National Distributing Company



Viognier Reserve

A signature grape for Brennan Vineyards, the Viognier is a lush, full-bodied wine with notes of peaches, Meyer lemons and honeysuckle



Super Nero

Made from Sicily's Nero d'Avola grape, the Super Nero has notes of tart strawberries, black currant, cedar and vanilla





DUCHMAN
FAMILY WINERY

From the outset, the goal at Duchman Family Winery has been incredibly ambitious. The wines produced at Duchman would be on par with the finest varietal examples in the world, and no less than that would be acceptable. By carefully selecting varietals suited for Texas and creating exacting standards for their handling in the winery, Dave Reilly and his team continue to meet and exceed those lofty expectations. Since 2010, Duchman wines have been awarded over 100 medals in international competition and have been consistently recognized for excellence by top wine professionals.

Dave Reilly, Winemaker

Dave Reilly has perfected the signature style of Duchman wines over a dozen vintages in the cellar, first as an assistant to one of the pioneers of Texas wine in Mark Penna, then as head winemaker beginning in 2008. Dave's wines show precision, character, and balance. Focusing on pure expression of fruit and Texas terroir, Dave's wines shine light on the amazing potential for Texas.





Vermentino

A perennial award winner, Vermentino is the flagship white wine at Duchman. A sophisticated palate of citrus, white flower and slight salinity is the hallmark of this outstanding wine.



Aglianico

Duchman was one of the first wineries in the state to work with Aglianico, setting the standard by which others are measured. The bar has been set high. Dense with notes of dark fruit, baking spice and cocoa. Beautiful acidity and structured tannins make for an exceptional, age-worthy Texas wine.



DUCHMAN

FAMILY WINERY

Primary Varieties:
Vermentino, Trebbiano, Sangiovese,
Montepulciano, Aglianico




Notable Awards:
Double Gold, San Francisco International
Gold, Teksom International
Best of Show Grand Star, Lone Star
International

Distribution:
Republic National Distributing Company



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 PEDERNALES
CELLARS



Pedernales Cellars is Texas' premier boutique winery, specializing in Spanish and Rhone style wines. Its award-winning Texas Tempranillo and Viognier are benchmarks for these varieties in the state. The estate vineyard, Kuhlken Vineyards, was planted in Texas' oldest AVA, Bell Mountain, which lies within the Texas Hill Country AVA.

The winery is devoted to sustainable practices and features the largest underground barrel cellar in Texas, kept at a steady 55-60 degrees by an environmentally friendly geothermal cooling system. Guests can tour the facility and then relax with a glass of wine on the tree-covered deck with breathtaking views of the Texas Hill Country.



David Kuhlken, Winemaker

David Kuhlken is a co-founder of Pedernales Cellars and has been the winemaker for the company since 2006. His first experience with the Texas wine industry came when his parents, Larry and Jeanine, planted the Kuhlken Vineyard north of Fredericksburg. He developed his winemaking style through collaboration with a number of local winemakers as well as training through the UC Davis Viticulture and Enology certification program.





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Primary Varieties:
Viognier, Albarino, Tempranillo, GSM

Awards:
Grand Gold, Concours De Lyon International
Double Gold, San Francisco International
Top Texas Wine, Houston Rodeo Uncorked!

Distribution:
Southern Glazer's Wine and Spirits



Viognier Reserve

A full-bodied white with notes of grapefruit, peach and melon, with crisp acidity at the beginning that turns into a buttery mouthfeel with notes of honey on the finish



Texas Tempranillo

The flagship red wine for Pedernales, the Texas Tempranillo has notes of cherry, raspberry and truffle along with hints of dark chocolate and spice





Todd Crowell, Winemaker
Texas native Todd Crowell (left, with Ron Yates) is Spicewood Vineyard's winemaker, joining in 2012 after graduating from Texas A&M University and spending 12 years working at various wineries in Sonoma County. Todd is a hands-off winemaker in the cellar, where the best wines are made in the vineyard, and his job is to shepherd the wines as they mature.



Spicewood Vineyards is a boutique winery focused on producing estate wines from 32 acres and a 10-acre vineyard located west of Spicewood in Round Mountain. Ron Yates bought the winery in 2007 and has continued the wine legacy started by Ed and Madeleine Manigold, who founded one of the first Hill Country wineries in 1992.



SPICEWOOD VINEYARDS



Sauvignon Blanc

100 percent estate Sauvignon Blanc with notes of pineapple, citrus and refreshing minerality and zest



Tempranillo

A signature wine at Spicewood Vineyards, the Tempranillo has notes of dried red fruits, black plum, black pepper, leather and dried rose petal, with firm tannins and acidity



SPICEWOOD VINEYARDS

Primary Varieties:

Sauvignon Blanc, Viognier, Tempranillo, Syrah, Merlot, Graciano, Mourvèdre, Carignan

Notable Awards:

Gold, Concours De Lyon International Gold, San Francisco International Gold, Teksom International

Distribution:


Spicewood Vineyards




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