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Start Wining : Wineries

Discover where your wine comes from and a whole lot more! Shelby County offers three superb vineyards from which to choose a wide selection of wine offerings.

Let's start the "wining" on the western side of the County at the **Morgan Creek Vineyard** located in Harpersville. **Morgan Creek Vineyards** is a family owned and operated vineyard specializing in Southern varietals of wines ranging from drier style red wines to sweeter fruit wines. Free tours and tastings are available. **Morgan Creek** is open Monday-Saturday from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm. **Morgan Creek** also offers facilities for entertaining large groups.

Morgan Creek Vineyard

181 Morgan Creek Lane, Harpersville, Al.
205-672-2053 or 877-672-2053
www.morgancreekwinery.com

As you make your way back east, a stop should be made at the **Corbin Farms Winery** in Calera. Set on 5 acres of lush farmland, **Corbin Farms Winery** is one of the Southeast's oldest wineries. Their winemakers produce and bottle a vast assortment of wines crafted from a variety of grapes and fruits grown in Alabama. Take a guided tour of the exquisite winery and grounds, as your host shares the stories behind their iconic wines. You will also have access to their charming bistro that will delight you with succulent meals and desserts to complement the wine. On warm days, the spacious patio is open for enjoyment, providing vineyard views, music by local artists and breezes with notes of sweet southern scents. **Corbin Farms** is passionate about their business and developing meaningful relationships. Their goal is to give each customer a wonderful experience every time they visit. **Corbin Farms** is open Tuesday-Thursday from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm, Friday from 10:00 am until 10:00 pm, Saturday from 10:00 am until 6:00pm, & Sunday from 12:00 pm until 6:00pm.

Corbin Farms Winery

Hwy 87, I-65 Exit 234 Calera, Al.
205-685-0655
www.corbinfarmswinery.com

While still in Calera but just a tad south on I-65 at exit 228 is Ozan Vineyard & Cellars. Ozan Vineyard & Cellars has been in operation since 2005, offering barrel aged red and white wines from estate grapes and from fresh grapes supplied from East Coast vineyards. The vintage includes: Vidal, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and "Norton" a native American red grape grown at Ozan. The 2006 Vintage includes Sangiovese, Peach and Merlot. Early in 2001 the



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Patrick Family planted an experimental vineyard of native grapes and hardy hybrid grape varieties. Today there are over 2000 vines planted at Ozan with plans for expansion. A number of the cross hybrids have shown an ability to thrive in the Central Alabama Environment. Future plans include additional plantings of these red and white winemaking grapes on the 24 acre estate. Ozan also offers facilities for entertaining large groups or special events. Tours and tastings are available. Tasting room hours are Friday and Saturday 11:00am until 6:00pm. Morgan Creek is open Monday-Saturday from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm.

Ozan Vineyard & Cellars

173 Hwy 301, Calera, Al. (I-65, Exit 228)
205-668-6926
www.ozanwine.com

In addition to the three fine wineries noted above in Shelby County, there are four additional Vineyards that should be included on any true “wining” trip. The complete regional visit should also include:

Hidden Meadow Vineyard LLC (Jemison)

hiddenmeadowvinyard.com

Bryant Vineyards (Talledega)

www.bryantvineyard.com

Award Winning Muscadine & Specialty Wines

White Oak Vineyards (Anniston)

www.southernoakwines.com

Fine Regional Wine in a Mountain Setting

Wills Creek Winery (Gadsden)

www.willscreekvineyards.com

Sand Mountain Muscadine & Local Favorites