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Six Hermann-Area Wineries Will Showcase Norton Wines May 2-3

Missouri's premier native grape variety takes center stage each year the first weekend of May when six Hermann-area wineries host the Hermann Norton Wine Trail.



"Norton wines from Missouri have been winning gold medals at international competitions since before Prohibition," says Patty Held, chairman of the Hermann Wine Trail. "Some of our Norton vines are more than a century old."

From 10:00 to 5:00 on Saturday and 11:00 to 5:00 on Sunday, Wine Trail visitors will travel a 20-mile route that meanders along the Missouri River between Hermann and New Haven. Along the way, vintners will share their expertise, as well as foods paired with their finest red wines.

This year's topics include:

- Adam Puchta Winery: The glass makes the difference
- Bias Winery: Comparison of a young Norton versus an aged Norton
- Hermannhof Winery: The best temperature to serve Norton
- Oak Glenn Winery: A discussion of old-vine versus new-vine Norton
- Röbbler Winery: Wine diamonds in Norton—what are they?
- Stone Hill Winery: How Norton ages.

Norton Wine Trail tickets are \$30 per person and must be purchased in advance. The ticket price includes a souvenir wine glass and the chance to enter a drawing for a night's stay at a Hermann B&B and a \$30 gift certificate from each participating winery.

Tickets are available online at www.hermannmo.info or from the Hermann Welcome Center, 800-932-8687.

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