

Touristic Grape Harvest: Friuli Venezia Giulia Opens up its Vineyards to Wine Lovers

A unique opportunity to gain first-hand insight into regional winemaking practices: across ten wineries belonging to the *Wine and Taste Route of Friuli Venezia Giulia*, participants will be guided by producers through the grape harvesting and processing stages

Trieste, 27 August 2025 – Harvesting grapes and uncovering the secrets hidden among the vineyard rows, guided by expert hands: in Friuli Venezia Giulia, the grape harvest becomes a touristic and educational experience open to all. The initiative involves ten wineries along the Wine and Taste Route of Friuli Venezia Giulia, guardians of a heritage of knowledge preserved and passed down through generations.

The experience is designed for a wide audience offering different programs: some wineries have created itineraries for families, with simple and engaging activities also suitable for children, for a safe and relaxing experience in the vineyards. Other wineries offer experiences for wine experts and enthusiasts, with a more technical focus on grape ripening, the art of winemaking, and guided tastings of selected wines. Other wineries have chosen to focus on the convivial aspect of the grape harvest, offering participants the opportunity to take part in the traditional grape pickers' working lunch.

Friuli Venezia Giulia, through PromoTurismoFVG and the regional coordination of the National Association 'Città del Vino', was the first region in Italy to sign a memorandum of understanding in 2023 to promote the value of the harvest as a touristic and educational experience, enhancing the region's tourism offering.

Bookings can be made directly with the participating wineries at

https://www.turismofvg.it/en/food-and-wine/educational-grape-harvest-for-tourists

Colutta – Manzano (Udine)

This winery is in the Friuli Colli Orientali DOC wine area and offers a harvest experience to share with family and friends: the grape picking is followed by a well-earned break all together to celebrate the day's work.

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Conte d'Attimis-Maniago – Buttrio (Udine)

From 28 August, in the ancient winery of the d'Attimis-Maniago family in the Friuli Colli Orientali DOC area, you can learn about every stage of the harvest, followed by a wine tasting in the 16th-century underground cellar.

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Le Due Torri – Tricesimo (Udine)

This harvest experience is designed to expand your knowledge of the agronomy and oenology of winemaking. At the end of the day, you can enjoy an evening meal at the winery's agriturismo (country restaurant). https://leduetorrivini.it/en/wine-experience/13-educational-wine-harvest-experience

Elio Vini - Cividale del Friuli (Udine)

Just a stone's throw from Cividale del Friuli, this family-run winery meticulously oversees every step from grape to bottle. The educational harvest is an opportunity to follow the producer during one of the crucial stages of winemaking. https://www.turismofvg.it/en/tourist-grape-harvest-in-the-area-surrounding-cividale-del-friuli

Gelindo dei Magredi - Vivaro (Pordenone)

Gelindo dei Magredi offers a grape harvest experience suitable for the whole family: visitors taking part get to pick the grapes by hand, enjoy a tour of the winery, and learn about the winemaking process directly from the producers. The activity concludes with a wine tasting accompanied by local specialities from the farm.

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Gradis'ciutta – San Floriano del Collio (Gorizia)

The Gradis'ciutta winery, in the Collio DOC area, offers the 'Collio Harvest Experience', beginning on 8 September. An immersive experience in the historic vineyards of Collio, including hand-picking the grapes and learning all about the terroir and organic production methods.

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Orzaia - Fontanafredda (Pordenone)

On 7 September, the winery that produces Friuli Grave DOC offers a family day featuring grape picking, barefoot stomping, alpaca walks, and a wine truck.

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Tonutti - Adegliacco (Udine)

From 8 September, you can join in with the grape picking and observe the winemaking process in the cellar. The day concludes with lunch with the grape pickers.

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La Viarte – Prepotto (Udine)

In a charming location in Prepotto, in the Colli Orientali del Friuli hills, you can take part in the harvest and the initial stages of winemaking alongside the workers at the winery. To follow, visitors enjoy a wine tasting.

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Bagnarol - San Vito al Tagliamento (Pordenone)

Barefoot in the vats, just like in the old days, after a short storytelling session with **stories and insights** about the grape harvest. An authentic experience to enjoy together – adults and children – on an afternoon filled with nature and games, ending with a snack of local products and grape juice for the children, a glass of wine for the adults, sensory workshops, and a final challenge between young and old.

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