

Contra Costa Wine Region

Officially Recognized, Always Exceptional.



An hour east of San Francisco, Contra Costa County is home to some of California's oldest surviving vineyards: own-rooted, dry-farmed Zinfandel, Mourvèdre, and Carignane planted in sandy delta soil over a century ago. In 2024, the region earned recognition as its own federally designated American Viticultural Area. The Contra Costa Winegrowers Association connects writers and editors directly with growers and winemakers, arranges tastings, and tailors itineraries to fit any publication's angle.

2024

California's 150th AVA

167,146

Acres in our AVA

14

Bonded Wineries

\$27K

Invested via Brentwood AG Fund

The AVA at a Glance

- **Climate:** warm, breezy Delta climate
- **Soils:** Deep, sandy, free-draining, naturally phylloxera-resistant
- **Nested within:** San Francisco Bay AVA and Central Coast AVA
- **Signature grapes:** Zinfandel, Mourvèdre, Carignane, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah

Meet the Wineries/Vintners

- **Campos Family Vineyards:** Byron @camposfamilyvineyards
- **Cline Family Cellars:** Sonoma @clinecellars
- **Corteza Vineyards:** Knightsen @cortezavineyardsofficial
- **Favalora Vineyards:** Oakley @favalora_vineyards_winery
- **Ghilarducci Vineyards:** Oakley
- **Hannah Nicole Vineyards:** Brentwood @Hannah_Nicole_Vineyards
- **McCauley Estate Vineyards:** Brentwood @mccauleyestatevineyards
- **Nunn Family Vineyards:** Brentwood @nunnfamilyvineyards
- **Serendipity Cellars:** Brentwood @serendipitycellars
- **Viano Vineyards:** Martinez @vianowinery

What the Press is Saying

Wine Enthusiast profiled the region's preservation efforts in its June/July 2026 California issue. Demand for Contra Costa's old-vine fruit now outpaces supply.

"Bordered by a railroad crossing and an Amazon fulfillment center" – a reminder of encroaching development around one historic vineyard.

Megan Cline, Cline Family Cellars

Let's Collaborate

Founded in 2004 by local winemakers and growers comparing notes on what to plant and where to sell their fruit, CCWA became a nonprofit in 2006. Membership is open to growers, winemakers, and affiliates like restaurants, local businesses, and wine enthusiasts who support regional viticulture. CCWA connects journalists and editors with member wineries and arranges tastings, media visits, and background for stories on the region.

"We are extremely happy and proud of our wines." Bryan Lucas, Serendipity Cellars

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