

WASHINGTON STATE THE PERFECT CLIMATE FOR WINE



Head east from Seattle along Interstate 90 and in 2 hours you'll find yourself crossing the mighty Columbia River, entering the heart of Washington State's wine country. This is the Columbia Valley, where the vast terrain ranges from breath-taking river gorges to undulating hills formed by Ice Age floods and ancient volcanoes. Separated from Seattle's rainy, marine climate by the Cascade Mountains, the state's wine country lies in the rain shadow of the mountains and enjoys only 6 to 8 inches of rain each year. Here, the conditions are ideal for wine grapes.



The Milbrandt family put down agricultural roots in Eastern Washington long before 1997, the year they planted their first grapevines in the area now designated as the Wahluke Slope AVA.

Both experience and instinct told brothers Butch and Jerry Milbrandt the area would be one of the best in the state for wine grapes. Today the Milbrandts farm ten distinct vineyard sites in the Wahluke Slope AVA and three vineyards to the north in the Ancient Lakes area. The unique soils, combined with a dry, warm climate have indeed made Wahluke Slope one of the best places in the state for wine grapes.

Learn more at
milbrandtvineyards.com