



10 Under-the-Radar North American Wine Regions You Need to Visit

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EASTERN TOWNSHIPS, QUÉBEC

This new wine region just an hour's drive from Montreal has two primary wine routes: [Route des vins de Brome-Missisquoi](#) with more than 20 vineyards, and the smaller [Route des vins de l'Estrie](#) comprising seven vineyards. [Domaine des Côtes d'Ardoise](#) was the first winery to open here in 1980 and a wonderful place to taste red wine made from hybrid Maréchal Foch, De Chaunac and Chelois grapes while taking a stroll along the flowered paths and sculpture gardens. Visit [Vignoble de l'Orpailleur](#), the largest winery in Québec, for award-winning ice wine along with [Vignoble Le Cep d'Argent](#) for sparkling wine and [Vignoble Les Pervenches](#) for organic chardonnay. Along with great wine, the region also makes ice cider and fire cider from its bounty of apples. Retire to [Manoir Hovey](#), the only Relais & Châteaux property around, and dine at [Le Hatley](#), where they make their own birch syrup and forage for wild mushrooms and herbs on property.

Plan Your Trip: Visit [Fodor's The Eastern Townships Guide](#)