GUIDE

Thailand's Wine Country

Vineyard tours, tastings and harvest season, from Khao Yai to Hua Hin

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Most people don’t know Thailand makes wine. It does, and some of it wins medals in Europe. The vineyards sit in green hill country a couple of hours from Bangkok, or a short drive inland from Hua Hin, and a winery day makes a nice change from temples and beaches.

This guide covers the wineries you can visit right now, how to put them together into a day, when to go, and the places you’ll still see in older articles that have closed or that I couldn’t confirm.

Wine in the tropics

Grapes for wine normally grow in cooler places, roughly between 30 and 50 degrees north or south of the equator. Thailand is well outside that band, which is why its wines get called New Latitude wines. Growers here deal with heat, humidity and a long rainy season, so they prune the vines to time the harvest for the cool, dry months.

Two things are worth knowing before you go:

- **Shiraz and Chenin Blanc are the workhorses.** You'll find them at almost every estate, alongside some surprises like Durif, Viognier and Muscat Blue.
- **Khao Yai Wine has its own protected name.** In 2018 it was registered as a Geographical Indication, so a bottle labelled Khao Yai Wine has to come from grapes grown in the area.

Khao Yai wine country

Khao Yai is the heart of Thai wine. The wineries sit in the foothills south and east of Khao Yai National Park, around Pak Chong, about two hours' drive northeast of Bangkok. Two of them, GranMonte and PB Valley, are only a few kilometers apart in Phaya Yen, so you can do both in a day.



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1. PB Valley Khao Yai Winery

PB Valley is where Khao Yai wine started. The estate was set up in 1989 and has made wine since 1998. The 70-minute tour takes you through the vineyard and orchards and into the winery, then ends with three wines in the tasting room. Tours leave at 09:15, 11:15, 13:15 and 15:15, and you need to book at least 72 hours ahead. Lunch at the Great Hornbill Grill and a stop at the farm shop for fresh grapes round it off.

2. GranMonte Vineyard and Winery

GranMonte is a family estate in the Asoke Valley, planted in 1999. The winemaker, Nikki Lohitnavy, trained in Australia, and the estate has won Best National Producer for Thailand at the AWC Vienna competition more than once. The tour runs five or six times a day, in English and Thai, and ends with four wines and matching bites, made with cheese from Khao Yai. It costs 690 baht, or 590 baht for under-20s with grape juice. Walk-ins are welcome, but book on weekends. The VinCotto restaurant is here, and the eight-room Wine Cottage means you can skip the drive home.

3. Alcidini Winery

Alcidini is the small one, out east of Pak Chong in Wang Katha, away from the Phaya Yen wineries. It grows just Shiraz and Muscat Blue at about 550 meters, and it feels more like visiting a family farm than a tourist stop. It's open every day, but hours and tasting prices aren't published, so call or message them before you drive out.

Staying the night

Tastings and driving don't mix, so it's worth staying over. Besides GranMonte's Wine Cottage, two more wine estates have rooms.

- **Issara Estates** in Muak Lek is a small family winery with a 34-room lodge. Its booked wine and dine visit walks you through the vines, then ends with a tasting and dinner at Libertà, an open-fire Italian-style steakhouse.
- **Village Farm and Winery** in Wang Nam Khiao, southeast of Khao Yai, has chalets and wooden cottages, and a converted barn with a tasting room, restaurant and coffee shop.

Neither publishes hours or prices, so contact them before you go.

Hua Hin wine country



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4. Monsoon Valley Vineyard

Monsoon Valley is the easy one if you're already at the beach. The vineyard sits in a valley of low hills west of Hua Hin and has the best setup for a lazy afternoon: a jeep tour of the vines, then lunch or a sunset drink at The Sala Wine Bar and Bistro, a Thai pavilion looking over the rows. There's a 3 km cycling trail and a bottle-painting activity for kids. One thing to know: the grapes grow here, but the wine is made at Siam Winery near Bangkok, so you won't see a working cellar.

No car? A shuttle leaves the Monsoon Valley Wine Bar at Villa Market in Hua Hin at 10:00 (back at 14:00) and 15:00 (back at 18:00). It costs 300 baht return and includes the vineyard tour.

Tours and prices

These are the prices and times each winery publishes. Check before you go, since they change.

Winery	Tour times	Price	Booking
PB Valley	09:15, 11:15, 13:15, 15:15	Not current on their site, ask when booking	At least 72 hours ahead
GranMonte	Weekdays 10:00 to 16:00, weekends 09:00 to 16:30	690 baht, under 20 590 baht	Walk-ins welcome, booking recommended
Alcidini	Not published	Not published	Call ahead
Issara Estates	By booking	Not published	Required
Village Farm	Not published	Not published	Call ahead
Monsoon Valley	Jeep tours 09:30, 10:45, 13:00, 16:00	100 baht	Not required

When to go

The cool, dry months from November to February are the most comfortable time for a vineyard day. Harvest is the liveliest time. Around Khao Yai it usually runs through February and March, and at Monsoon Valley from about mid-February to mid-April. The wineries often run harvest events, so ask what's on before you book.

Outside harvest you can still do the tours, tastings and restaurants all year. In the rainy season, roughly June to October, go early in the day.

Getting there

- **Khao Yai:** Drive, or hire a car with a driver from Bangkok. That's the best way, since you'll be tasting. By public transport, vans leave Mo Chit 2 bus terminal for Muak Lek, and GranMonte can pick you up in Muak Lek if you ask a few days ahead.
- **Monsoon Valley:** Take the shuttle from Hua Hin town, or a taxi or car. It's about 30 km west of town as the crow flies, longer by road.

Closed or hard to visit

You'll find these in older "best Thai wineries" lists. Here's where they stand as of November 2026.

- **Château de Loei, Loei.** One of the pioneers of Thai wine. In September 2026 it stopped making wine and the estate now grows other crops, like macadamia nuts and avocados, under the name Suan Phu Ruea Wanothayan. It's not a winery visit any more.
- **Silverlake Vineyard, near Pattaya.** Once a popular stop near Khao Chi Chan, but recent listings report it permanently closed.
- **Mae Chan Winery, Chiang Rai.** Its wines are listed on wine sites, but I couldn't find any current visitor information.
- **Siam Winery, Samut Sakhon.** The big production winery that makes Monsoon Valley's wines. It runs tours by arrangement, with no published times or prices. Contact them directly if you're interested.

A few tips

- **Don't drive after a tasting.** Hire a driver, use the Monsoon Valley shuttle, or stay the night.
- **Kids are welcome.** PB Valley and GranMonte give grape juice instead of wine to anyone under drinking age.
- **Combine it with the national park.** The Khao Yai wineries are a short drive from Khao Yai National Park, so a winery afternoon fits well after a morning of waterfalls and wildlife.

Common questions

Does Thailand really make wine?

Yes. Thailand grows wine grapes in a handful of places, mostly in the hills around Khao Yai and in the countryside west of Hua Hin. Shiraz and Chenin Blanc are the grapes you'll see most.

Which Thai winery should I visit first?
If you're coming from Bangkok, go to Khao Yai and pair GranMonte with PB Valley, which are only a few kilometers apart. If you're already in Hua Hin, go to Monsoon Valley.

When is harvest season in Thailand?
Around Khao Yai it's usually February and March. At Monsoon Valley near Hua Hin it runs from about mid-February to mid-April. Dates move a little each year, so check with the winery.

Can kids visit Thai wineries?
Yes. GranMonte and PB Valley both give grape juice instead of wine to anyone under drinking age, and Monsoon Valley has cycling and bottle painting.

Is Château de Loei still open?
Not as a winery. It stopped making wine in September 2026 and the estate now grows other crops under a new name, Suan Phu Ruea Wanothayan.

Do I need to book a winery tour?
At PB Valley, yes, at least 72 hours ahead. GranMonte takes walk-ins but recommends booking, and Monsoon Valley runs jeep tours four times a day.

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