

TRAVEL

America's Top Urban Wineries



f From major metropolises like New York City to wine-producing hubs like California's Paso Robles, urban wineries have proved to be more than a fad. They're even creeping into rapidly developing cities like Austin, Texas. The focus on innovation and local grapes in some of the best urban tasting rooms makes for wines worth taking seriously. City dwellers can get in on the fun of a winery experience without missing the vineyard or leaving the personality of their city behind.



Southeast Wine Collective, Portland Oregon [\(enlarge\)](#)



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Unsurprisingly, this tech hub hosts several urban wineries. But when Charles Smith (known for K Vintners, Charles Smith Wines, Sixto, Substance, Secco Italian Bubbles and Charles & Charles), moved his winemaking operations from Walla Walla, Washington, to Seattle's Georgetown neighborhood last year, people took notice. Smith's mammoth 32,000-square-foot production facility and tasting room, **Jet City**, is the second-largest urban winery in North America. Smith's location next to Boeing Field provides plenty of entertainment, as guests can watch planes take off and land in two uniquely styled tasting spaces.