



June 3, 2022

Skaha Bench winery invites all to enjoy wine country this season

A stop at Blasted Church is a must-do when in the Okanagan in the summer



[Okanagan Falls, BC] The heart of BC wine country is getting ready for a busy summer season. The team at Blasted Church is prepared to host guests with a brand new visitor experience that includes award-winning wines, bespoke food pairings and a big celebration of the winery's twentieth anniversary. Baxter-Burke's team is putting the finishing touches on a new tasting space and a reformulated experience for wine lovers visiting the tasting room in Okanagan Falls. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays in July and August, guests will enjoy Blasted Church's portfolio tasting in a new event space, where wine is paired to gourmet bites prepared by a soon-to-be-announced new chef.

Wine lovers headed to the Okanagan will want to include a stop at Blasted Church Vineyards, located in the center of the Skaha Bench, where some of the finest and most awarded wines are produced in British Columbia.

After being recognized as the #2 winery in BC by WineAlign, the winemaking team led by Evan Saunders is proud to again have received a series of awards in the International Wine and Spirit Competition, including a gold medal (95 points) for their coveted Small Blessings Cabernet Sauvignon.

The visit to the property is breathtaking and starts with a pilgrimage through the blessed grounds of Blasted Church. Guests are invited to take a self-guided tour walking through the Merlot rows all the way down to the edge of the property

where they stop to take in some of the most incredible views of Skaha Lake and the West Bench. They can sit down, unwind and marvel at the scene while waiting for their tasting appointment by the pool.

But Blasted Church is not only about the views.

After enjoying the property, guests can choose to take a sit by the tasting room and pool deck to taste through the portfolio while enjoying a brand new food menu developed by chef extraordinaire John Burke. These include boxes of local cheese and charcuterie, dried fruit, nuts, spicy olives and house-made spreads and crackers (\$35, serves 2) as well as other sinful treats like whipped feta and olive oil and honey (\$19, serves 2) and smashed green peas with tarragon and parmesan (\$18, serves 2). The best days to enjoy the full



menu and a more unrushed experience are Fridays in June and July.

Pre-booked tasting experiences will also be available in the coming months at “The House”, Blasted Church’s new tasting space located on the property. There, curated wine tastings will be perfectly paired with artisanal bites prepared by Chef Burke.

Also in the works for August is a big celebration of Blasted Church’s 20th anniversary. The event will include exclusive food options, wine specials and music by the pool. Details are being finalized and will be announced soon.

For more information on menu changes, booking options and all things Blasted Church, stay tuned to the winery’s social media channels, @blastedchurch or sign up for the newsletter [here](#).



Blasted Church’s brand-new charcuterie box

ABOUT BLASTED CHURCH VINEYARDS

Located in the Heart of Wine Country™, and in the heart of the revered Skaha Bench Sub GI is Blasted Church Vineyards.

Named for the Okanagan Falls-based house of prayer that was dismantled and rebuilt in 1929, Blasted Church, with its gently blasphemous stance, has become one of BC’s most notable and awarded BC wineries. While showcasing wit and often irreverent sensibility, the team at Blasted Church is all about the production of serious wine.

The team applies progressive farming practices to produce handcrafted, small-lot wines that have gathered accolades from the most respected wine critics in Canada and beyond. Landing the accolade of #2 ranked winery in BC and #3 in Canada by WineAlign’s National Wine Awards is a win the winery team is very proud of.

Visitors to the winery can experience a taste of the sublime, taking in their choice of heavenly wine and food experiences while enjoying the incredible Skaha Lake views from the tasting room or pool area.

To join the flock, visit blastedchurch.com