

## Cheers To The Good Life



Thanks to a unique microclimate, the Eastern Townships is the cradle of viticulture in Quebec. Inaugurated in 2012, the <u>Route des Vins de l'Estrie</u> features seven wineries. On the <u>Route des</u> <u>Vins Brome-Missisquoi</u>, that number is tripled, for a total of 21 wineries where guests can sip the nectar of the Gods while soaking in the stunning scenery. Over the past 30 years, winemakers have adapted to the unique terroir, helping the vines survive the harsh winter. They've developed top-rated ice wines, too!

Tucked in the hillsides of Dunham, <u>Union Libre Cidre & Vin</u> is a leader in fire cider production. In fact, it was the first winery to produce the sweet elixir. The property also produces other types of innovative librions, including fortified fire cider, ice cider and soon, wine.

It's not all prayer and chanting for the monks of <u>Saint Benedict Abbey in Saint-Benoît-du-Lac</u>. In their downtime, they produce a dozen varieties of cheese, plus excellent sparkling ciders made according to the méthode Champenoise. The public is welcome to attend services in the large chapel, where vespers are celebrated with Gregorian chants.

The Eastern Townships region has so many delicious gems... Come discover them for yourself!

