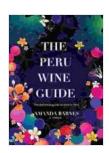
The Definitive Guide To Wine In Peru By The South America Wine Guide

Peru is a country with a rich and diverse wine culture. Wine has been produced in Peru for over 400 years, and the country is home to a wide variety of grape varieties and wine styles. In this guide, we will explore the history of wine in Peru, the different wine regions, and the types of wine that are produced here. We will also provide tips on how to enjoy Peruvian wine and food pairings.



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History of Wine in Peru

The first grapevines were brought to Peru by Spanish conquistadors in the 16th century. The grapes were planted in the coastal valleys of Lima and Ica, and the first wines were produced shortly thereafter. Wine production in Peru grew rapidly in the 17th and 18th centuries, and by the 19th century, Peru was one of the leading wine producers in South America.

The wine industry in Peru declined in the early 20th century, due to a combination of factors including the global economic crisis, the rise of other

wine-producing countries, and the political instability in Peru. However, in recent years, the Peruvian wine industry has experienced a resurgence, and Peru is now once again one of the leading wine producers in South America.

Wine Regions of Peru

Peru is divided into four main wine regions:

- The Coastal Region is located along the Pacific coast of Peru. This region is home to the country's largest and most important wine產地. The Coastal Region is known for its warm climate and sandy soils, which are ideal for growing grapes.
- The Andean Region is located in the Andes Mountains of Peru. This region is home to a number of high-altitude vineyards, which produce wines with a unique character. The Andean Region is known for its cool climate and rocky soils.
- The Amazonian Region is located in the Amazon rainforest of Peru. This region is home to a few small vineyards, which produce wines with a unique flavor profile. The Amazonian Region is known for its humid climate and clay soils.
- The Southern Region is located in the southern part of Peru. This region is home to a number of small vineyards, which produce wines with a unique character. The Southern Region is known for its warm climate and sandy soils.

Types of Peruvian Wine

Peru produces a wide variety of grape varieties and wine styles. Some of the most common grape varieties used in Peruvian wine include:

- Quebranta is a white grape variety that is native to Peru. Quebranta wines are typically light-bodied and have a floral aroma.
- **Italia** is a white grape variety that is also native to Peru. Italia wines are typically medium-bodied and have a fruity aroma.
- **Torontel** is a white grape variety that is grown in the Andean Region of Peru. Torontel wines are typically full-bodied and have a sweet aroma.
- Cabernet Sauvignon is a red grape variety that is grown in all of the wine regions of Peru. Cabernet Sauvignon wines are typically fullbodied and have a fruity aroma.
- Malbec is a red grape variety that is grown in the Coastal Region of Peru. Malbec wines are typically full-bodied and have a spicy aroma.

Peruvian wines are also classified according to their sweetness level:

- Dry wines have less than 10 grams of sugar per liter.
- Semi-dry wines have between 10 and 20 grams of sugar per liter.
- Sweet wines have more than 20 grams of sugar per liter.

Food Pairings with Peruvian Wine

Peruvian wine is a versatile beverage that can be paired with a variety of foods. Some of the most popular food pairings with Peruvian wine include:

• **Ceviche** is a Peruvian dish made from raw fish that is marinated in lime juice and spices. Ceviche is typically paired with a white wine,

such as a Quebranta or Italia.

- Lomo saltado is a Peruvian dish made from beef stir-fry with vegetables. Lomo saltado is typically paired with a red wine, such as a Cabernet Sauvignon or Malbec.
- Aji de gallina is a Peruvian dish made from chicken in a spicy cream sauce. Aji de gallina is typically paired with a white wine, such as a Torontel or Italia.
- Suspiro de limeña is a Peruvian dessert made from condensed milk, egg yolks, and meringue. Suspiro de limeña is typically paired with a sweet wine, such as a Moscatel or Riesling.

Tips for Enjoying Peruvian Wine

Here are a few tips for enjoying Peruvian wine:

- Serve Peruvian wine at the correct temperature. White wines should be served chilled, while red wines should be served at room temperature.
- Pair Peruvian wine with the right foods. Peruvian wine is a versatile beverage that can be paired with a variety of foods. Experiment with different pairings to find your favorite combinations.
- Visit a Peruvian winery. The best way to learn about Peruvian wine is to visit a winery in person. You can tour the vineyards, learn about the winemaking process, and sample different wines.

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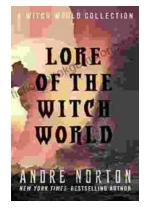
variety of foods. If you are looking for a new wine to try, be sure to give Peruvian wine a try. You won't be disappointed.



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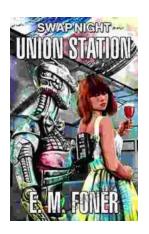
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