

The Best Wineries in Northern Italy, According to One *T+L* A-List Advisor

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For many travelers, one of the biggest reasons to visit Italy is the chance to taste the country's famous wines. A visit to an Italian vineyard involves more than just a tasting: architecture, décor, and *accoglienza* (welcoming hospitality) all provide a feast for the senses. And with numerous wine regions—do you go to Tuscany, or Sicily, or Lombardy, or Umbria?— and hundreds of vineyards, it can be overwhelming to choose where to go.

Best Biodynamic Spirit—Agricola Ca'La Bionda Vineyard

At [Ca'La Bionda](#), Alessandro Castellani has his eye on producing the best organic Amarone wine possible using only autochthonous grapes (Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella and Molinara) originating from its own vineyards. When neighbors were spraying copper sulfate, in the spirit of producing organic wines, he purchased neighboring vineyards to protect his organic status. Walk the trails of La Bionda between the vines overlooking the Valpolicella Classico area on the Marogne (dry stack stone terraces found in hillside vineyards) to find La Signora; a vine over 100 years old and who survived Phylloxera blight.