

## **New autumn wine tours from BKWine: Bordeaux, Champagne, Douro Valley | Press Release**

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**BKWine has just launched the autumn / fall wine tour program. It features three very different tours: Bordeaux and also Champagne in France, and the Douro Valley in Portugal. The Champagne program is an entirely new destination on BKWine's English language schedule. Full details are available on [BKWineTours.com](http://BKWineTours.com).**

The news on this season's program is the wine tour to **Champagne**, France's region world famous for sparkling wines. This is the first time it is featured on BKWine's English language program. It will include a combination of prestigious houses and independent Champagne producers. The focus will be on the top quality "independent growers' Champagne" that has become very trendy but that is difficult to access for outsiders.

The wine tour to **Bordeaux** combines visits and private tastings at some of the best chateaux in the region combined with luxurious meals. Travellers will enjoy exclusive access to some privately owned very prestigious estates.

The **Douro Valley** wine tour will take the travellers up-river from the ancient city of Porto to the spectacular Upper Douro where the vineyards cling on to neck-breaking slopes. The tour includes extensive tastings of the sweet port wines and top quality table wines. It also includes an exceptional dining experience at one of Portugal's top restaurants.

Britt Karlsson, founder of BKWine, comments on the tours: "We want to give our guests a unique insight into the world of wine, informative of course but above all enjoyable. We have a unique network of contacts in the wine regions, thanks to the hundreds of tours we have organised over the years, and thanks to that we are also internationally recognised wine writers, in fact unique among wine tour operators. For us wine is also closely linked to food so the gastronomy always plays an important part on the wine tours."

All BKWine wine tours include extensive private tastings at the numerous wineries visited, approximately 10 wineries on each tour, as well as exclusive gourmet meals, often at the wineries and chateaux visited. All tours are guided either by BKWine's founders, Britt and Per (who recently won the "Nobel Prize of Wine Literature" awarded by the OIV), or by one of BKWine's expert wine guides. The full tour programs can be found here: <http://www.bkwinetours.com/>

**BKWine** is a leading wine tour organiser specialised in top-quality, personal style wine and gourmet travel. The BKWine wine tours have been named "World's Top Wine Tours" by Travel+Leisure Magazine. BKWine arranges some 30 wine tours each year, including those on the scheduled program as well as custom made tours. BKWine is run by Britt and Per Karlsson, two Swedes living in Paris (France) since many years, who, in addition to running the wine tour business, are award winning wine book authors, wine journalists and photographers.

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BKWine AB is run by Britt and Per Karlsson, of Swedish origin. There are four main activities:

- Wine & food tours
- Wine journalism
- Wine photography, wine stock image library: <http://www.bkwinephotography.com>
- Wine consulting

BKWine is active in several wine related fields. The main business is organising wine tours for wine enthusiasts and wine professionals who want to visit wine regions to learn more about wine. Each year BKWine organises some 30 wine tours. The wine tours have been named *World's Top Wine Tours* by Travel + Leisure and mentioned in numerous publications world-wide: Frommer's, USA Today, Gourmet Traveller, Huffington Post, Luxury Travel Magazine, Sommelier India, The Australian Wine Companion, and many more. BKWine has published several wine books that have won national and international awards. BKWine also publishes an online newsletter on wine, The BKWine Brief, which reaches some 20,000 subscribers. Britt and Per are members of the British Circle of Wine Writers (CWW), the International Wine Writers Federation (FIJEV), the French Wine Press Association (APV), the International Wine and Food Society (IWFS) and several other wine and gastronomic organisations.