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Wine and gourmet tours for the autumn 2015 launched by BKWine

BKWine recently launched the new wine tour and gourmet travel program for the autumn / fall season 2015. On the public program are two classic and luxurious wine tours, one to Bordeaux in France and one to the Douro Valley in Portugal. Together with custom designed wine tours and non-English tours BKWine will organise 30 tours in 2015. The detailed programs can be found here: [BKWineTours.com](http://www.bkwinetours.com).

Per Karlsson, one of the founders of BKWine, comments on the tours: "We have selected these two tours and the wineries carefully. They are small-group luxurious tours, without being overwhelmingly opulent. Our focus is on giving the traveller a top-quality wine and food experience and not on immersing in gilt. All the wine estates we visit give us a very personal welcome. In most cases it is the owner or the winemaker that receives us. We want our travellers to come back home with personal memories for life and with new friends."

Britt Karlsson, the other co-founder of BKWine, comments on the programs: "When I plan the tours it is very important that all visits be very personal and not cookie-cutter visits. Most of the estates we visit know us since many years back so we get unique and personal welcomes. It is a great benefit that we are also wine writers and journalists, since that gives us quite different contacts than for standard travel operators. The food is also an important aspect. Typically meals are at wine estates. Some are at star chef level while others are home-cooked by the winery owners themselves."

The tours extend over four nights. Each includes around ten winery visits and very gastronomic meals. All tours are accompanied by a professional wine tour manager, in most cases Britt and/or Per themselves.

The **Bordeaux wine tour** goes from September 23 to 27. It includes visits to some of the most prestigious Bordeaux chateau as well as top-quality family-run estates with lunches at chateaux. Travellers will stay in the UNESCO World Heritage city of Bordeaux itself.

The **Douro Valley wine tour** goes from October 21 to 25. It starts and ends in the beautiful city of Porto with two nights in a luxurious hotel far up in the valley. It shows the traveller some of the world's most spectacular wine landscapes as well as many of Portugal's best wines.

BKWine is a leading wine tour organiser specialised in top-quality, personal style wine and gourmet travel. In 2015 BKWine will in total arrange some 30 wine tours 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. The BKWine wine tours have for example been mentioned as "The World's Top Wine Tours" by Travel+Leisure Magazine.

All tours and detailed programmes can be found on <http://www.bkwinetours.com>

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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. BKWine has written and 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.