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If you're a pet parent who loves vino and are living or traveling in the Eastern U.S., you don't have to leave your pooch at home when you stop by these five wineries.

Just be sure your dog is vaccinated, well behaved and kept on a leash – after all, you don't want to have to pay for bottles broken by your dog's overenthusiastic tag wagging.

West of the Mississippi, these wineries welcome both people and pooches.

Connecticut

Taylor Brooke Winery – 848 Route 171, Woodstock (map), 860-974-1263

This vineyard in the rolling hills of northeastern Connecticut is so pooch-friendly it even has its own rescue wine dogs: Zima, who sadly crossed the Rainbow Bridge earlier this year, and her successor, Addison (seen in the photo).

As for your own dogs, "You are welcome to walk them on leash but *please* be considerate of others and pick up after your dog," owners Linda and Richard Auger request on the winery's website. "Please avoid letting the dogs relieve themselves near the picnic tables. We also ask that you don't bring your dog into the tasting room."

Open Fridays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed for the winter season from Jan. 1 to Feb. 8.

Massachusetts

Nashoba Valley Winery – 100 Wattaquadock Hill Rd., Bolton (map), 978-779-5521

Upon your arrival, expect to be greeted by Cody and Malibu, the winery dogs at this orchard. Your pooch is welcome in all outdoor areas, including the hilltop picnic grounds.

“At Nashoba Valley we appreciate the importance of dogs in our lives and therefore allow dogs to enjoy our property,” the winery’s dog policy notes. “Responsible dog ownership requires a respect for other visitors and our staff, who might be afraid or allergic to various animals.”

Dogs must be at least 4 months old and – not that your pooch would be into it anyway – dog bathing is not allowed on the premises.

Open Sundays through Thursdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

New Jersey

Westfall Winery – 141 Clove Rd., Montague (map), 973-293-3428

Your pooch is welcome to join you as you sip wine and dine in the picnic pavilion. Throughout the summer, dog-friendly events are held on weekends.

“Went to Westfall Winery for the Music Fest and Southern BBQ event,” wrote Yelp reviewer BerthaNPeggy-O. “The food and wine was amazing! Their staff was super nice and they really knew wine. We would recommend a day trip for anyone interested in spending the day in the picturesque countryside of Northern New Jersey.”

Open Fridays through Sundays 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Closes for the winter season on Dec. 30.

New York

Bedell Cellars – 36225 New York 25, Cutchogue (map), 631-734-7537

This Long Island winery not only welcomes visitors’ dogs in its outdoor picnic areas, but its own employees bring their pooches to work. “They have a blast here,” Amy Finno, Bedell’s head of marketing, told the New York Daily News.

The winery also hosts dog-friendly wine-tasting events and donates the proceeds to local shelters.

Open daily from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; open to 6 p.m. on weekends from Memorial Day through Halloween.

Red Tail Ridge Winery – 846 State Route 14, Penn Yan (map), 315-536-4580

Located upstate in the Finger Lakes region, Red Tail Ridge was the first winery in New York to be LEED gold-certified as green in New York. Along with being environment-friendly, it’s dog-friendly, too.

“We keep a doggy bowl of biscuits close by, just in case a furry friend has come along and is waiting in the car,” owner Nancy Irelan told the Cooking With Ideas blog. The winery added a “doggy promenade” area next to the tasting room “so our guests will be able to walk their dogs and let them stretch their legs a bit,” Irelan said.

Open Mondays through Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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