



PENINSULA RIDGE
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Since our opening in August 2000, Peninsula Ridge Estates Winery has been committed to **producing the finest wines Niagara has to offer**. From the very earliest planning stages, owner **Norman Beal** has made every effort to meet the many requirements for producing world-class wines in Niagara.



Our winery property encompasses 80 acres on the **Niagara Escarpment**, which is designated by **UNESCO** as a **World Biosphere Reserve**. Our vineyards are located on the Beamsville Bench, considered by many to be one of the premier grape growing regions in Canada. We have planted 42 acres of vinifera grapes and also manage a neighbouring 43-acre vineyard, producing Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Syrah, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc and Viognier. In addition, Peninsula Ridge has entered into long-term contracts with some of the best growers in Niagara to ensure the finest-quality fruit for our wines.

The man charged with realizing the full potential of our wines is **Jean-Pierre Colas** who came to peninsula Ridge after a decade of distinction as head-winemaker at Domaine Laroche in Chablis, France. While there he was awarded the prestigious **1998 Wine Spectator “White Wine of the Year”** for his “1996 Les Clos Grand Cru Chablis”. By combining his considerable winemaking skills and experience Jean-Pierre is focused on finding the best expression of Niagara – its soils, climate and geography – in wines of supreme quality and character.

At Peninsula Ridge we utilize **state-of-the-art equipment** to ensure the most delicate handling of fruit juice and wines. Fermentation is regulated using high tech, dual batch, temperature controlled tanks imported from France. Below our winery in our barrel cellar, our wines age in over **350 French oak barrels** to develop sublime depth and complexity. We feel it is this combination of **New Age technology with Old World tradition** that gives us the best opportunity to reveal the distinction of Niagara’s terroir in wines of world-class quality.

Peninsula Ridge Estates offers a number of exceptional features that make it a must-see destination for visitors to Niagara. The property and surrounding vineyards, located on the Niagara Escarpment, offer an exceptional view of Lake Ontario and the Toronto skyline. A feature landmark is our instantly recognizable Queen Anne revival Victorian manor built in 1885. The house was meticulously restored and is now **The Restaurant at Peninsula Ridge** offering an exceptional fine dining experience in Wine Country. Our **Winery Retail Shop** is located in the adjacent 1885 restored post and beam barn where our knowledgeable staff lead visitors through a tasting of our VQA wines and a guided tour of our modern winery facilities and traditional underground barrel cellar. Our **Coach House**, a reconstruction of the farm’s original coach house with a glorious view of our vineyards, is perfect for corporate and private functions of up to fifty guests. Events feature a selection of Peninsula Ridge wines and superb dishes prepared by our Executive Chef Robert Trout and our talented restaurant chefs.

