

CALENDAR OF VINEYARD ACTIVITY



A. Bud Burst



B. Flowering



C. Fruit Set



D. Ripening



GRAPE VARIETIES YOU MAY SEE ON YOUR WALK IN THE VINEYARDS:

BACCHUS

Named after the Roman God of wine. An aromatic crossing with Riesling parentage. First planted in England in the 1970s. Produces wines in the style of a lighter Sancerre or New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc. Grapes are tightly bunched and spherical in shape. Chapel Down Wines:

Bacchus, Bacchus Reserve, Tenterden Estate Bacchus Reserve, Orange Bacchus

CHARDONNAY

One of the grape varieties used in Champagne, Chardonnay is being increasingly planted in England for sparkling wine production. At Tenterden, we first harvested fruit from our Chardonnay vineyards in 2007. Its small sized cylindrical bunch is very compact and its grapes are small and spherical. Chapel Down Wines:

Sparkling wines and Chardonnay

PINOT NOIR

Another Champagne variety, grown successfully in England for both sparkling and red wine. About half the clones grown at Tenterden are Dijon clones grown specifically for red wine. Grapes are thin skinned, dark purple/blue and fairly small with a round oval shape. Bunches tend to be compact. Chapel Down Wines:

Sparkling wines and Pinot Noir

PINOT BLANC

Can produce wines similar in style to Chardonnay, although it ripens more easily than Chardonnay in England. The variety is ideal for use in sparkling wines, especially our Classic Non-Vintage Brut, as it gives a delicate floral character in its youth, which becomes honeyed as it matures. Its bunch is cylindrical in form and of medium size, and consists of oval shaped grapes, which are yellow with green hues. Chapel Down Wines:

Sparkling wines and Pinot Blanc

MONTH	VINEYARD ACTIVITY
JANUARY	Pruning.
FEBRUARY	Pruning.
MARCH	Tying down of canes.
A. APRIL	Finish tying down. Sap rises. Bud burst mid-April. Spraying.
MAY	Bud rubbing. New canes/ shoots start growing. Spraying.
B. JUNE	Flowering. Spraying.
C. JULY	Rapid cane growth. Bunches of grapes start to form. Spraying.
AUGUST	Trimming of leaf canopy to allow maximum sunlight to reach the fruit. Spraying.
D. SEPTEMBER	Leaves removed around fruit. Grapes ripen and soften. Red grapes colour. Final spraying.
OCTOBER	Harvesting.
NOVEMBER	Vineyard Maintenance.
DECEMBER	Sap falls at the first frost.

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VINEYARD WALKS



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Please note:
Access to the Winery
is by guided tour only.

Key

- 1 Chapel Down Shop
- 2 The Swan Restaurant
- 3 Picnic Area
- 4 Herb Garden
- 5 The Wine Sanctuary
- 6 Chapel Down Winery
- 7 Goodwin Alpacas
- 🍇 Grape Variety - Planted
- P Car Park
- 🚻 Toilets
- 🚫 No Public Access



VINEYARD WALKS

BLUE WALK - 0.62km / 0.39 miles

RED WALK - 1.02km / 0.63 miles

SAFETY NOTICE - Whilst walking in the vineyards, please be aware of tractors and other farm vehicles. Please keep to the trails at the edges of the vineyard at all times and do not touch the vines or eat the grapes as they will have been sprayed. Please be aware of uneven ground and rabbit holes. Do not pass beyond the 'No Entry' signs. Dogs must be kept on leads at all times.