THE ENGLISH & WELSH WINE INDUSTRY 2018
A FEW FACTS & FIGURES

Number of commercial vineyards

502
(2015 figures)

Number of wineries

147
(2017 figures)

Hectarage under vine

2554 HECTARES
(6308 ACRES)

+15% SINCE 2015

In 2017, 1m vines were planted in UK, the highest number planted in a single year. This year a predicted 1.5-1.7m vines will be planted.

Annual production

BOTTLE EQUIVALENT

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Production (bottles)</th>
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<td>2014</td>
<td>6.3m</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>4.15m</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>5.9m</td>
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Wine production is predicted to reach some 40m bottles by 2040.

Hectarage planted in Great Britain has grown by 150% in the last 10 years & tripled since 2000.
There are over 150 vineyards open to the public in the UK.

### Top grape varieties planted

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<th>VARIETY</th>
<th>% TOTAL HECTARAGE</th>
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<tr>
<td>1st</td>
<td>Pinot Noir</td>
<td>31.5%</td>
<td>803 ha</td>
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<td>2nd</td>
<td>Chardonnay</td>
<td>30.2%</td>
<td>771.1 ha</td>
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<td>3rd</td>
<td>Pinot Meunier</td>
<td>9.5%</td>
<td>243.4 ha</td>
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<td>4th</td>
<td>Bacchus</td>
<td>5.6%</td>
<td>143.6 ha</td>
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<td>Seyval Blanc</td>
<td>4.0%</td>
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<td>6th</td>
<td>Pinot Blanc</td>
<td>2.1%</td>
<td>54.1 ha</td>
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<td>7th</td>
<td>Reichensteiner</td>
<td>1.9%</td>
<td>49.5 ha</td>
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<td>8th</td>
<td>Muller Thurgau</td>
<td>0.2%</td>
<td>4.8 ha</td>
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<td>9th</td>
<td>Others</td>
<td>5%</td>
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Sparkling varieties Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Meunier account for 71.2% of all grapevines planted.

### Wine producing regions in Great Britain

- **South East**: 1922.6 ha equal to 75% of total ha under vines
- **East Anglia**: 130.5 ha equal to 5% of total ha under vines
- **South West**: 290.8 ha equal to 11% of total ha under vines
- **Wales**: 42.3 ha equal to 2% of total ha under vines
- **Other**: 166.5 ha equal to 7% of total ha under vines

2017 figures, data supplied by WineGB.
**Wine styles**

**BOTTLES PRODUCED**

- **Still**
  - 32% 1.9m bottles

- **Sparkling**
  - 68% 4.0m bottles

Data supplied by WineGB /Wine Intelligence.

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**Exports**

**27 countries**

English wine is now **exported to 27 countries** – up from 19 in 2015.

**Key markets include the US, Scandinavia & Japan.**

**Currently around 4% of all English wine produced is exported.**

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Sales of English & Welsh wine

BOTTLES OF WINE SOLD IN 2017

+31% since 2015

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Distribution of bottles sold by type

Still
48% of all bottles sold

Sparkling
52% of all bottles sold

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DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS

UK trade sales 54.9%
UK cellar door sales 35.8%
Exports 4%
Company websites 5.3%

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