

Cypress Bend Vineyards

A Gorgeous North Carolina Vineyard & Winery



Here is a unique opportunity to acquire an established, award-winning vineyard and winery in the beautiful, eastern Piedmont coastal plain area of North Carolina. Cypress Bend is on a 15.5 acre parcel located on a portion of the historic 1000 acres of rich farmland known as “Riverton” on the banks of the Lumber River, which trims a portion of the property’s borders with native cypress trees and sweet Southern aromas.









Jazzy Friday Nights!





About the Winery

In a bucolic country setting, Cypress Bend is still proximate to several vibrant urbanized areas such as Pinehurst, Laurinburg, Lumberton, Fayetteville and Fort Bragg all of which bolster the strong tasting room attendance and special events aspect of the business, making for a very strong discretionary earnings picture and to support future growth of the overall enterprise. Cypress Bend is the #1 tourist attraction in Scotland County and consistently receives highly positive reviews on their Facebook pages and on TripAdvisor:

- Reviewed March 10, 2013

“ It was a cold evening in March. We were down to visit our 22-year-old daughter at St. Andrews College in Laurinburg. We took her out there for a little "dress up" outing. The band was first rate. Good jazz and dance music which got the crowd up out of their chairs. Free raffles for wine. Excellent food vendor supplied BBQ... ”

- Reviewed July 22, 2015

“ Absolutely amazing! Beautiful place, great wine! Love the Sundown staff is awesome and the scenery, building and vineyards are breathtaking! ”

The Winery and Tasting Room/Retail Area:

As one approaches the winery from the main roadway, the architecturally designed winery building with its stucco exterior is well-matched to the setting which is exceptionally well landscaped. As you move toward the covered front entry with its tall double wooden doors with wrought iron fittings, it evokes an “old-world” wine-country feeling. Entering the tasting room with its 20 foot vaulted ceiling, numerous custom built-in racks and cabinetry, and the superior finishes, the combined elements all serve to enhance the wine-country ambiance---thereby preparing those entering to make the most of their wine-tasting experience.

Also within the walls of the winery structure are three spacious offices, a lab area, two restrooms, winery production area/tank room, climate-controlled wine storage, and other storage areas. The total heated and cooled area is 5,728 SF served by 5 zoned heat pump systems. The design architect incorporated structural elements that envision the easy expansion of the tank room area as well as for addition of structural events space and a restaurant/bistro area. These plans will be provided to the new owners.

On the exterior, there is a veranda side patio, a nearly new aluminum-framed heated event tent structure with sliding sidewalls, a totally open interior (no poles) standing over a 40 x100 concrete finished floor. The patio and tent area are utilized for special events, such as weddings, and as the preferred venue for Cypress Bend's signature “Jazzy Fridays” throughout the year. Attendance at “Jazzy Fridays”, which blends live music, wine and light fare, is typically measured in the several hundreds of guests. A scenic pond, pergola and grotto area are opposite the winery, and are utilized for wedding ceremonies, photo opportunities, and casual relaxing strolls with wine and friends. An additional 2 acres adjacent to the winery are available for lease to accommodate overflow parking needs.

Completing the exterior amenities are a front concrete walkway to the entrance, concrete side walk-ways to the veranda-patio and tent area, and a large (568 SF) covered concrete crush pad with 15 foot clearance for ease of harvest and crush related activity.

The Vineyard and the Wines:

The picturesque vineyard is healthy and well-tended, with a clean vineyard floor and a high wire trellis system. Within the 10 acres of vineyard, some of the finest cultivars of the Muscadine vine have been planted— 4 acres of Magnolia, 4 ½ acres of Carlos, and ½ acre of Noble, along with a small section of mixed varietals. The terroir is especially well-suited for the optimal growth, texture and characteristic elements of the Muscadine wine-grape. The result is in evidence in the tasting room, where one may enjoy some of the finest, subtlest, and most satisfying expressions of the Muscadine wine grape, as well as Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec wines.

Vineyard production is typically in the range of 60 tons from this 10 acre site, and an additional 100 to 150+ tons could be available by lease from 25 acres of vineyard on adjacent property, and currently utilized in Cypress Bend wine production. Wine production is currently in the range 7,000 cases annually, and could be maximized at approximately 10,000 cases with existing equipment.

The current Winemaker has an Engineering degree in Enology and Viticulture and is a fully certified German Winemaker (and 8 year apprenticeship at Germany's largest Riesling winery). Cypress Bend Winery has won over 230 awards including Best in Show, Best in Class, Double Gold, Gold, 4-time winner of the North Carolina Muscadine Cup and the American Wine Society award for Best Muscadine in the United States (Catherine).

The entire vineyard and winery staff is well-trained, dedicated and mature. It is highly likely that the entire staff would be willing to remain with new owners. Moreover, the highly knowledgeable and experienced current owners would be available for a reasonable time period on a consulting basis to ensure a smooth and orderly operating/ownership transition.

Nearly all vineyard, winery, tasting room and event space furnishings, fixtures and equipment will convey with the sale and extensive separate equipment lists are available for review upon request. There is an existing wine club, and also wholesale distributor agreements in place.

Summary:

Cypress Bend Vineyards and Winery represents the finest in planning, vineyard management, wine-making, special events, and business execution, and it shows in the overall excellent guest experience and attendant positive earnings results. Those seeking a turn-key, successful vineyard and winery enterprise which is well-positioned for future growth, must see, experience and consider this unique opportunity. And, for those also seeking to build a new estate residence and live the vineyard life-style near-by, there may also be the possibility to acquire approximately 25 acres immediately across Riverton Road from Cypress Bend.

See the short video by TouringandTasting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8N2BnWTDN0E>