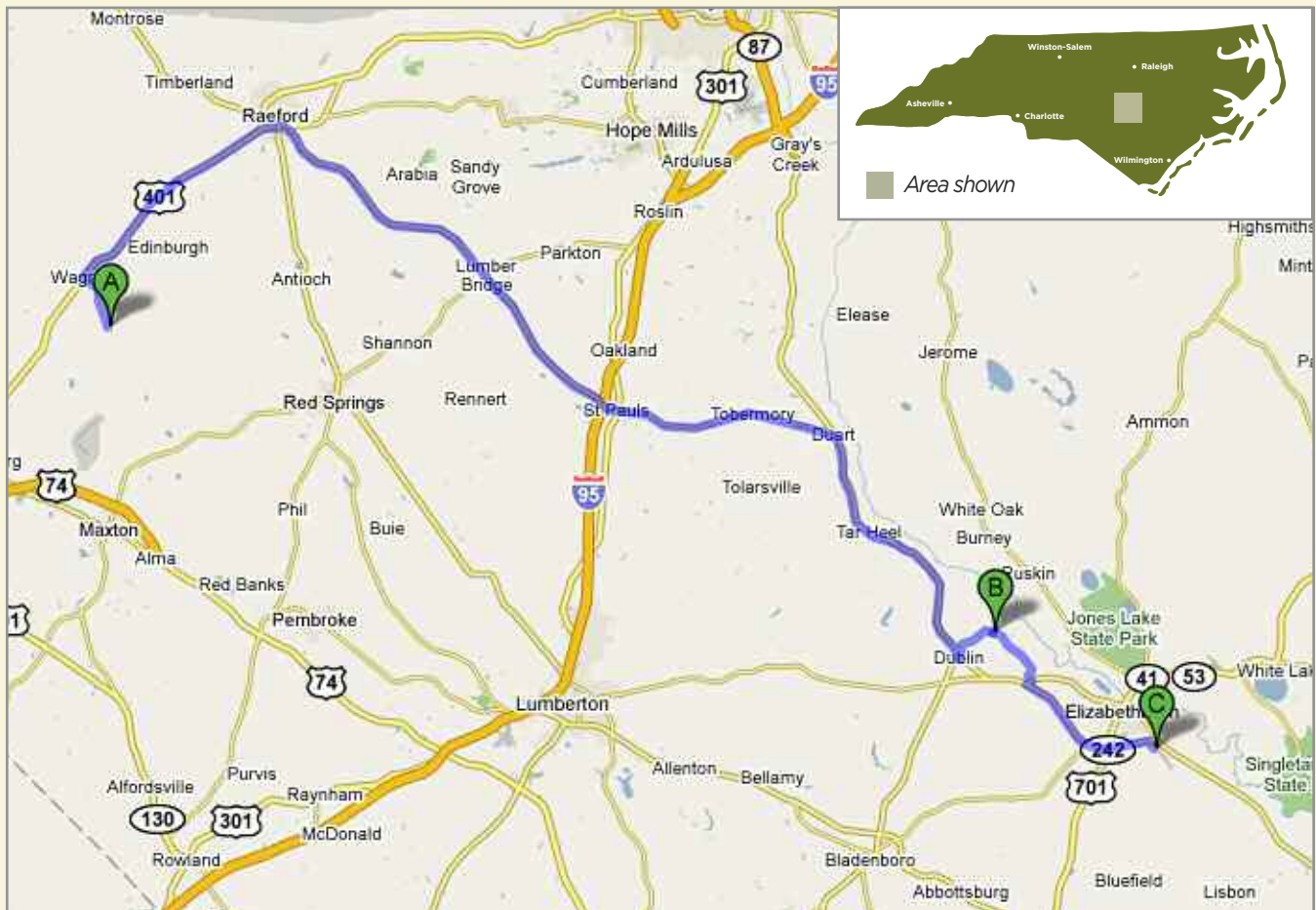


NORTH CAROLINA

Wine Country

The Lower Sandhills Wine Trail

Wineries: 3 Mileage: 65.1



Winding through the scenic sandhills south of Fayetteville, this wine trail covers fertile land for the NC native muscadine grape, and also offers a few surprises along the route. These small wineries have become the centers of social activity for their communities, so keep an eye out for events and happenings at any time throughout the year. You'll begin at Cypress Bend Vineyards, just southeast of the town of Wagram. This winery on the banks of the Lumber River hosts "Jazzy Fridays" twice a month, as well as occasional dinners and festivals. Further to the east, the Lu Mil Vineyard also plays host to many events, and has cabins to rent for those who want to spend a few nights on an operating vineyard. Over at the Lac Belle Amie Winery, the owners offer a variety of muscadine varieties, as well as wines produced elsewhere for people who prefer Chardonnay, Syrah and other varietals.

The Vineyards

A) CYPRESS BEND VINEYARDS

www.cypressbendvineyards.com

21904 Riverton Road, Wagram, NC 28396
910-369-0411

Amenities: Tasting room, gift shop, picnic area.

Wines: Riverton Reserve, Campbell, Sundown, Catherine, Roseneath, Daniel, Autumn, McNeill, Chardonnay, Syrah, Holly Berry Red.

B) LU MIL VINEYARD

www.lumilvineyard.com

474 Suggs Taylor Road, Elizabethtown, NC 28337
910-866-5819

Amenities: Tasting room, gift shop, picnic area, rental cabins.

Wines: Cape Owen Red, Bladen Blush, Harmony Hall, Taylor Divine, Old Cumberland.

C) LAC BELLE AMIE VINEYARD & WINERY

<http://www.labelleamie.com/indexABC.html>

195 Vineyard Drive, Elizabethtown, NC 28398
910-645-6450

Amenities: Tasting room, gift shop, picnic area.

Wines: Carolina Bay Red, Three Sisters, Southern Magnolia, Bella's Blush, Southern Belle Blush, Varietals produced in Europe and the West Coast.

Directions

- 1. From Wagram (US Highway 401):** From Main Street in Wagram (US 401), turn southeast onto Riverton Road. Go 2.4 miles to the **Cypress Bend Vineyards**.
- Return to Wagram by heading northwest on Riverton Road for 2.4 miles, then turn right onto Main Street (US 401). Follow Highway 401 for 9.6 miles into the town of Raeford. Take a right onto Harris Road, a left on North Main Street, a right onto East Central, then a slight right onto NC Highway 20 (St. Pauls Drive). Continue to follow NC 20 for 28.2 miles until taking a slight right onto NC Highway 87. Follow NC 87 for 11.8 miles into the town of Dublin, where you will take a left onto Lyon Landing Road. Go 0.7 miles, then take a right at Suggs Taylor Road. The **Lu Mil Vineyard** will be 1.4 miles down the road on your right.
- Go back to Suggs Taylor Road and take a right. After half a mile, slight right onto Owen Hill Road and follow it for 2.5 miles. Then, turn right onto NC Highway 41, then an immediate left onto NC Highway 87. Go 6.2 miles into Elizabethtown, then turn right onto Bengreen Industrial Park Road. The **Lac Belle Amie Winery** will be about 0.3 miles on your right.
- From here, NC Highway 87 will take you southeast toward Wilmington or northwest toward I-95 and Fayetteville. NC 87 will also connect to NC Highway 41, which will take you west into Lumberton.

Winery hours vary seasonally. Please call ahead to be sure the vineyards you want to visit will be open when you arrive.

Please drink responsibly. Designate a driver.