

Heart of North Carolina Wine Trail

Explore small signature gardens, boutique wineries, farm-to-fork eateries, and plentiful nature sites for picnics by day. You'll likely see chefs shopping (and sometimes offering culinary demonstrations) at one of the six farmers' markets throughout our area. Venture on your own at pick-your-own farms or take advantage of varied guided farm tour visits with garden meals and interactive tours. Indulge in sweet serenity with an abundance of inns, from budget to luxury, for a fun-filled green getaway.



Vineyards At Southpoint

Here is a sample itinerary

SATURDAY: Morning in Pittsboro

Starrlight Mead

480 Hillsboro St #1000, Pittsboro • 919-533-6314

www.visitpittsboro.com/location/chatham-marketplace-3/

Historic Chatham Mills is the site of the Pollinator Paradise Garden, Chatham Marketplace, the Chatham Mills Farmers' Market (Saturdays, April – November) and one of the five wineries on the Heart of North Carolina Wine Trail, Starrlight Mead. Start with coffee and breakfast at Chatham Marketplace, filled with local food to enjoy on-site or take with you (always wise to pack a cooler if you're visiting for the day!). Seating is available on the lawn or covered deck area. The Pollinator Paradise Garden greets you with multiple blooms in the front and as you walk toward the back to Starrlight Mead, a lovely little garden marks the back, adjacent to the Joy of Movement yoga studio. A family of Starrs welcomes you to taste and tour their meadery with seasonal meads; everything from cranberry orange to mulled apple cyser, plus herb meads and events throughout the year.

SATURDAY: Lunch

Farm-to-Fork Eateries

www.visitpittsboro.com/eat

Extend your time and have brunch or lunch at Oakleaf Restaurant, named by *News & Observer* as the Triangle's Best Restaurant of the Year or try any of the other farm-to-fork eateries, including Angelina's Kitchen (a Best Dish NC finalist), Small B&B and Café, Bella Donna Italian Restaurant, Pittsboro Roadhouse & General Store, and more.

SATURDAY: Afternoon

SilkHope Winery

2601 Silk Hope Gum Springs Rd, Pittsboro, NC • 919-545-5696

www.visitpittsboro.com/location/silkhope-winery-3/

Fair Game Beverage Company

193 Lorax Ln Pittsboro, NC • 919-245-5434

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North Carolina's 13th distillery's mission is to sustainably make quality products from local feedstocks. Chatham County winery and distillery, featuring NC grown and produced port wines and cordials, brandy, apple brandy, and sorghum cane spirits. Visit the website for several **upcoming events**.

Here is sample 1/2 day itinerary.

Jean's Berry Patch

3003 NC Hwy #751 Apex, NC • 919-362-5800

www.visitpittsboro.com/search/?activity=&loc=&keyword=jean%27s+berry+patch

For Garden's Sake

9197 Hwy 751 S Durham, NC 27713 • 919-484-9759

www.fgsnursery.com/

Doyle's Vineyard

8913 NC Hwy 751 Durham, NC 27713 • 919-544-6291

www.visitpittsboro.com/location/doyles-vineyard-3/

Toyle's Vineyard is a beautiful 10-acre space available for weddings, anniversary parties, birthdays, reunions, etc. The vineyard is also the second tasting room for the award-winning **RagApple Lassie Vineyards**; the tasting room is called the Doctors office, in reference to the little doctor's office building by the pond (approx. dated 1870-1910). Ask about the unique history of this building when you visit.

