

# The Land

## OF BELOVED BREWS, WINE & SPIRITS

Bottoms up to a city that boasts dozens of brewhouses and beer bars serving-up unique craft ales and lagers of all kinds. An appreciation for the small-batch, handcrafted way of doing things also means Cleveland has a wealth of locally distilled spirits, craft cocktail and mocktail lounges and regional wineries.

### Cheers to Beers

**Cleveland Brewery Passport.** Visitors can sip their way through the thriving craft beer scene with the popular [Cleveland Brewery Passport](#). The 2025 edition includes more than 40 locations and awards participants prizes for starting and finishing the journey, with some additional opportunities to win along the way.

**Award-Winning Brews.** Multiple Cleveland breweries have been recognized in recent competitions. In the [2024 World Beer Cup](#), [Masthead Brewing Co.](#), [Fat Head's Brewery](#) and [Market Garden Brewery](#) took home gold, silver and bronze medals. Masthead and Market Garden were also recognized in the [2024 U.S. Open Beer Championship](#), along with [Schintz Ale Brewery](#). [Noble Beast Brewing Co.](#) won gold at the [2024 Great American Beer Festival](#), while Masthead was awarded bronze.

**Great Lakes Brewing Company.** Ohio's first craft brewery, [Great Lakes Brewing Company](#) has been creating award-winning lagers and ales since 1988. Known for beloved brews like Christmas Ale and Dortmund Gold, the brewery is also a trendsetter in sustainability efforts. The brewery utilizes solar power, efficient water usage, repurposes waste and supports local farms.

**Ohio City Neighborhood Brewery Hub.** Just across the river from Downtown, the Ohio City neighborhood is the heart of Cleveland's craft beer scene. Following the lead of Great Lakes Brewing Company, six breweries now call the neighborhood home. Visitors can tour the custom-built [Market Garden Production Brewery](#) and taste the signature brews at [Market Garden Brewery](#) and [Nano Brew](#). Travelers can also experience literary vibes at [Bookhouse Brewing](#), grab some New Haven style pizza at [Saucy Brew Works](#) and finish with traditional Eastern European brews at [Hansa Brewery](#).

**"America's Next Big  
Craft Beer Destination"**



**Immigrant Son Brewery.** First generation American Andrew Revy runs [Immigrant Son](#) in Lakewood. The craft brewery celebrates community and heritage, combining traditional recipes with locally inspired brews and comfort foods. The son of Hungarian immigrants, Andrew hopes to connect people of all backgrounds through beer and food.

### Wines of The Land

**Chateau Hough.** Brenda Frazier carries on the legacy of her late husband and founder Mansfield, who transformed vacant lots in the Hough neighborhood into a vineyard with nearly 300 vines. [The Winery of Chateau Hough](#) produces seven wines made from cold-hardy grapes grown on-site while also supporting job creation and community development through urban farming.

**CLE Urban Winery.** [CLE Urban Winery](#) produces and sells a variety of handcrafted wines with names and branding that pay homage to the city. Located in Cleveland Heights, the winery and tasting bar invite guests to explore the winemaking process while enjoying signature blends.

**Gervasi Vineyard Resort & Spa.** A Tuscan-inspired winery resort in Canton, [Gervasi Vineyard Resort & Spa](#) provides the complete winery experience with tastings, winery tours, a six-acre vineyard, three on-site restaurants and villa suites. The resort also features a distillery, coffeehouse and craft cocktail lounge, as well as a luxury boutique hotel and spa.

**Geneva Wineries.** Family-owned [Ferrante Winery](#) in Geneva produces award-winning ice wine made from frozen grapes grown along Lake Erie. Nearby [M Cellars Winery](#) offers vintage and estate wines crafted using responsible farming techniques. [Debonne Vineyards](#) is the state's largest estate winery with more than 175 acres of vines, and the first to open a microbrewery, [Double Wing Brewing Co.](#)



**Ohio Wine Trails.** A short drive from Cleveland, visitors can embark on wine-focused excursions through multiple regions. The [Vines & Wines Trail](#) covers the Grand River valley near Geneva in Northeast Ohio. The [Canal Country Wine Trail](#) follows the path of the historic Ohio & Erie Canal and Cuyahoga River Valley south of Cleveland. West of the city, the [Shores & Islands Trail](#) features wineries that utilize the cooling winds from Lake Erie and variety of soil types found in the region.

## Cocktails & Mocktails

**Verbena.** [Verbena Shoppe, Café & Dry Bar](#) is the city's first brick and mortar non-alcoholic café, retailer and bar. Verbena provides a new, sober experience for visitors, showcasing mocktails, evening events and food, including lunch fare, cheeseboards, tin fish plates and desserts.

**Cloak & Dagger.** The literary-themed [Cloak & Dagger](#) cocktail lounge opened in October 2020 in the Tremont neighborhood. It features a spectrum of craft-yet-accessible beverages and a menu of plant-based dishes to enjoy in the enchanting space. In addition to a dedicated non-alcoholic menu, many of the signature cocktails can be made spirit-free.

**LBM.** Started by restaurant and bar veterans, [LBM](#) pours passion into its craft. Using only fresh seasonal ingredients and a well-curated selection of liquor and beer, LBM offers delicious food, house and seasonal cocktails and a spirit-free menu in a unique setting.

**Patron Saint Café.** All-day café [Patron Saint](#) features coffee and aperitivo drinks served alongside a menu of Italian-inspired small plates. The daily Aperitivo Hour starts at 4 p.m. and features special bar snacks and slushies.

**Clandestina.** [Clandestina](#) offers more than 130 bottles, including 64 tequilas, 45 mezcals, four exotic Mexican spirits

and 21 liquors and cordials from South and Central America. A dozen beers on tap and a menu of small plates complete the experience.

**Speakeasy-style Lounges.** Guests can sip at a speakeasy-style space like Downtown's [Society Lounge](#), in the subterranean [Vault](#) or at [Velvet Tango Room](#) in the Tremont neighborhood, where handcrafted cocktails are served-up in an old-fashioned style that reflects drinks from the 1920s.

**Western Reserve Distillery.** [Western Reserve Distillery](#) opened in Lakewood in August 2018 as the first organic distillery in the state. The family-run distillery sources grains from organic farms located within 150 miles to produce premium vodka, gin, rum, rye and bourbon. The tasting room features a craft cocktail program, distillery tours and a barrel aging program with create-your-own and select-your-own experiences for whiskey and rum lovers.

**Cleveland Whiskey.** During whiskey tastings of [Cleveland Whiskey](#), travelers can sample varieties and learn how the distillery is pushing the boundaries of traditional whiskey through its use of transformative woods and innovative technology to create revolutionary new flavors.

## Beverage Experiences

**Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad.** Visitors can take a two-hour ride through the [Cuyahoga Valley National Park](#) on the [Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad's](#) "Ales on Rails" beer-tasting excursion or "Grape Escape" wine-tasting excursion that are offered throughout the year.

**Brewery Tour.** Visitors can experience the ultimate pub-crawl with [City Brew Tours Cleveland](#), which brings beer lovers to multiple locations for tastings. Guests will learn about the history of craft brewing in Cleveland, get a behind-the-scenes look at the brewing process and try plenty of samples.

**Brewboat CLE.** During the warmer months, visitors can experience the sights and sounds of Cleveland while paddling along the Cuyahoga River with a cold beer in hand on [BrewBoat CLE](#).

**Tiki Barge.** Experience the "most tropical experience Cleveland has to offer" on the [Cleveland Tiki Barge](#). The two-hour cruises are BYOB and come with a captain, a first mate, Bluetooth speakers, ice and coolers. The largest barge fits up to 49 guests and routes run along the Cuyahoga River and the Inner Harbor of Lake Erie. For those who'd rather keep their feet on land, [Porco's Lounge & Tiki Room](#) is a hidden oasis serving up exotic, award-winning cocktails.