

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Here are answers to some FAQs about the BCHW Winery Ride:

1. Our event location is 1890 Highland Drive. See our website for updated driving directions and map.
2. Pre-registration is required for camping either Friday or Saturday nights.
3. Camping spots/locations are filled in order of arrival. No reserves, no saving spots for later arrivals. If you want to camp together, arrive together. No exceptions.
4. Only one camp spot may be reserved per vehicle combination (truck & trailer/Motorhome, etc.). Exceptions are if you have more riders in your party than your truck will accommodate, i.e., a second car parked in your camping spot is acceptable, but a second horse trailer is not.
5. Each camp spot is 30-ft wide x 60-ft long. This size will handle large living quarter trailers and your portable corrals.
6. Camping area is not all level and flat. The property is somewhat hilly. We are in the Rattlesnake hills. Bring plenty of leveling blocks to insure your comfort. Flat and level versus sloping camp spots are purely luck of the order of arrival. None of the camp spots are completely unusable, but some will require some innovative leveling of your camper, just like being in the wilderness.
7. You will have to provide your own temporary corrals (electric or panels) or tie to your trailer. There are no high lines or stalls (or trees). The camp area is a hay field.
8. Length of ride is up to riders, with two different loops to choose from. Our West loop runs a total of 12-miles, or about 4 to 5 hours ride. The East loop totals 8-miles or 3 to 4-hours riding if ridden straight through with no stops. The West loop has a shorter optional route for those wishing to cut down the mileage.
9. Each rider determines their time on the trail by the amount of time they spend at each winery and their horses pace. There's ample opportunity to spend plenty of wine tasting time. Riders go out as early as 9:30 am and return as late as 5:30 pm, at their discretion.
10. Terrain is mostly even with some low rolling hills. This is farm/orchard country (and vineyards, of course). Mostly dirt, some gravel, some pavement (short distances).
11. There can be up to a total of 13 participating wineries, if all owners again choose to participate. At least two wineries are at risk of being closed for the season before our event; 8 wineries are on one loop and 7 of them are on the other loop (3 of them are on both loops).
12. Some wineries have hitch rails; some have trailers to tie too. When really crowded, some need you to share horse holding duties. Please do not tie to trees or grape posts.
13. Some of the wineries do charge a tasting fee. This fee is separate from ride fees, meal costs, etc. and does not go to BCHW. Those that charge usually credit the same amount on a purchase of one or more bottles of wine. BCHW has no control over wine tasting fees, nor do we collect any.
14. Stock water is available at the camping area. We typically have 4 individual watering stations situated at various locations around the camping area. You will need to bring your own water

buckets as there will be no water troughs provided. Each watering station location will have a faucet to fill your own buckets.

15. Chemical toilets are available for campers and registered riders.
16. A baked potato feed will be offered again on Friday night at the camping area.
17. A Catered meal is available on Saturday evening at the camping area. Pre-registration is highly recommended if you wish to take advantage of this option.
18. Severino Cellars will again be providing on-site wine tasting and a hospitality tent both Friday evening and again on Saturday.
19. In the interest of having a clean camping area each year, campers are asked to clean up their campsites and taking any wasted hay or bedding home with them if they can. This year we'll have a dedicated manure bunk, but all manure must be bagged and can only be dumped in this one dedicated container. Dumping manure in the garbage dumpsters costs us a \$200 fine for each dumpster with manure in it. Please only use the dedicated container and bag your manure before placing it inside the container. Please do not dump manure outside the container.
20. Only pre-registered participants may park on the camping property during this event. Each registered vehicle must place their parking pass in the windshield of the vehicle. Vehicles without a parking pass may be towed and impounded at the discretion of the property owner.