

Tucson Wine Bars

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Summertime is all about kicking back and relaxing—which almost always includes a nice glass of wine. The next time you're thinking about popping the cork on your favorite red or white, give your patio chairs a rest and head to one of Tucson's most beloved venues in which to wine and dine.



Sip a delicious glass of vino at the Bar & Bistro at 58 Degrees at the Williams Centre. The atmosphere provides a fashionable, relaxing environment where you can enjoy delicious food and wine. To compliment your dining experience you will find over 58 wine selections by the glass or to taste. The company's 900-plus reserved bottle list has been honored by Wine Spectator Magazine with the "Best of Award of Excellence" award for three years straight. Indulge in the impeccable wine selection as well as the complementing food items paired with each—it will have you wanting more. 520.747.5858, www.58degrees.com.



Armitage

Have a glass of wine and enjoy a meal at Armitage Wine Lounge & Café at La Encantada. The décor is modern and trendy, but it still maintains a traditional winery atmosphere. Armitage has an excellent selection of wines and champagnes and offers indoor and outdoor seating, both featuring music and a warm environment. With premier service and a relaxed atmosphere, Armitage is a great place for happy hour or after-dinner drinks. 520.682.9740, www.armitagewine.com.



VinTabla

For a special evening of elaborate wining and dining, VinTabla offers up one irresistible deal. Every night the VinTabla chefs will whip up a three-course meal for \$30-\$35. Dig in to two appetizers and an entrée, but don't forget the wine (of course). The VinTabla sommeliers offer a wine pairing to go along with each course for an additional \$12-\$16. That's not all—be sure not to miss out on VinTabla's \$25 Prime Rib Sundays or weekly Friday wine tastings. The happening events will get you in the door but it's the inviting ambiance and quality food and drink that will have you returning week after week. 520.577.6210, www.vintabla.com.



CataVinos

Every week at CataVinos a new flight of six wines—all from various countries and with a different theme—are available for sampling. For just \$10 each wine sample is paired with cheese or other snacks to nibble on. CataVinos gives off a cozy vibe that makes it a great place for casual wine tasting, as well as an accommodating spot for larger groups with its socially inclined atmosphere. 520.323.3063, www.catavinoswines.com.

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The Dish

The Dish bistro and bar offers an immense, international selection of wines by the glass. As a convenient customer perk, any bottle from The Dish's wine shop, The RumRunner, can be enjoyed in-house for \$12 over the retail price. All wines are served in pristine, hand-polished Riedel Glassware. For an additional penny saver, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings a bowl of Saffron Mussels and a glass of wine is just \$11.50. Cha-ching! 520.326.1714, www.rumrunnertucson.com/thedish.