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LIRR OFFERS TOUR TO LONG ISLAND'S NORTH FORK WINE REGION

LIRR Wine Country Getaway tour this Saturday, August 6

If you missed out on the Long Island Rail Road's popular tour of the North Fork wine country, you still have another chance this weekend. See the winemaking process from vine to bottle on the LIRR's LI Wine Country escorted package tour this Saturday, August 6. For the low package price of \$48 (adults only), journey to the vineyards of the Island's scenic North Fork via the air-conditioned comfort of the LIRR and chartered bus.

This weekend's LIRR Wine Country getaway includes visits to Pindar & Duck Walk vineyards, where tour attendees will sample a variety of wines. The LIRR Wine Country tour allows plenty of time to buy a late lunch with a visit to the historic seaport village of Greenport. While at Greenport, enjoy browsing the variety of shops lining the streets. As an added bonus this year, the LIRR Wine Country tour offers the opportunity for beer tasting at the Greenport Harbor Brewing Company.

The LIRR offers two other Wine Country tours on Saturdays, September 10 and October 1. Depending on the tour date, vintners at Bedell Cellars, Corey Creek Vineyards, Duck Walk Vineyards, and Pindar Vineyards will offer samples of their best reds and whites.

The train schedule for LI Wine Country Tour:

Eastbound:

Departs New York at 7:45 AM (Switch to Montauk train at Jamaica)
 Departs Woodside at 7:57 AM (Switch to Montauk train at Jamaica)
 Departs Brooklyn at 7:42 AM (Switch to Montauk train at Jamaica)
 Departs Jamaica 8:10 AM
 Departs Babylon 8:46 AM

Westbound: (return to original departure station)

Arrives Babylon at 6:53 PM
 Arrives Jamaica at 7:32 PM
 Arrives Brooklyn at 8:12 PM
 Arrives Woodside at 7:48 PM
 Arrives New York at 7:59 PM

Note: Please check track assignments at the station information booth. Remember to board the rear car. There is a transfer to a bus at Westhampton Station. All train times, prices and dates may be subject to change.

Purchasing tickets

Tickets for the Railroad's LI Wine Country Escorted Tour can be purchased at LIRR ticket machines beginning two weeks in advance of the tour until the Thursday prior. Gray, green and blue ticket machines accept credit and debit cards; gray and green machines also accept cash. The first step is to select "Deals & Getaways," then select "Long Island Getaways" to find the wine tour.

Tickets may also be purchased at LIRR ticket offices up to 30 minutes before the train leaves. Ticket offices accept cash, personal checks and debit cards.

For additional information, customers are advised to consult the LIRR's website at www.mta.info/lirr. Customers can also contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center at 718-217-LIRR (5477). If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider or the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 718-217-5477.

For more information about the North Fork wineries, visit www.liwines.com.