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We sat down with Niagara's newest vineyard owners to learn more about their exciting new winery in Niagara.

a. What is the name of your new winery and what can we expect?

A. Our new winery is called AMO. In Italian AMO means LOVE. Expect to see new wine-making styles as well as beautifully handcrafted bottles. The process of winemaking is an art and we want to celebrate that in all that we do.

**Q.** What was the inspiration behind the name?

A. AMO is love, and love is the root of life! Amo Wines encourages us to celebrate and create moments that radiate the love for life. It provokes our senses, fuels the thrill to live fully and whole-heartedly. The wine collection emphasizes the overflowing urge to awaken our dreams and passions and explore them with enjoyment. It inspires the desire to live freely, sharing love and light, like vines growing from the soil fuelled by sunlight. The Amo wine collection asks us what lights up our lives and drives our soul? Each wine will complement the joyous celebrations of magical moments created in life. AMO transcends, and LOVE is the most timeless gift we possess.





**Q.** Who is your winemaker?

A. Marc Pistor is our very talented wine-maker and educator. He seeks to create wines that celebrate the distinct character inherent in our region's grapes through innovative styles and expressions, crafted with a focus on the consumer. He is constantly seeking to improve his skills and use his knowledge to ensure a great wine experience in every bottle.

**Q.** What is your favourite wine?

A. Every wine in our collection is so very unique and beautiful. Our Rosé this summer will be one of my favourite wines to drink. It tastes like strawberry bubblegum and the bottle is a showstopper! Super fun for those gorgeous summer days!

**Q.** Hosting a dinner party, what advice would you give to someone in pairing wines with food?

A. When hosting a dinner party, it's always nice to start with a little bubbly! Keep things simple and enjoy selecting wines for your guests. The easiest tip to remember is that the wine you choose needs to match the intensity and flavour of your food. For example, heavier flavoured meats are better with red wine. Whereas, light-intensity meals (light fish) will match better with white wine.

**a.** How do we buy your new wine and when can we expect it to be available?

**A.** We are thrilled to announce our wines will be available for purchase August 2021 online. Our first vintage is limited, and presales will be available to those who register for exclusive access on our website at **amowines.ca**.

### THE SWEET TASTE

## OF SUMMER WINES

Wine goes well with all seasons, but there are certain wines that just go better with summer! Here are some of our favourites.

#### **SAUVIGNON BLANC**

This light drinking wine is perfect for those pleasantly warm June evenings. Pair with a light and flaky grilled fish with a side of asparagus.

#### **RIESLING**

Riesling is one of the most interesting white wines available. It is characterized by a crisp acidity and notes of peach, pear, and apricot. Perfectly paired with seafood and appetizers, riesling is one of the most food-friendly wines a person can drink during the summer months.

#### **PROSECCO**

Softer and more rounded than Champagne, this sparkling wine mixes impeccably with summer fruits such as Niagara peaches. Try it in the famous Bellini.

#### LIGHT ROSÉ

This list wouldn't be complete without a rosé. I say light because some of the more full-bodied rosés can overwhelm more delicate flavours. Pair with a beautifully grilled tuna.

#### **RED WINE SANGRIA**

Sangria traditionally consists of red wine and chopped fruit, often with other ingredients or spirits. Sangria is one of the most popular drinks in Spanish cuisine. It is commonly served in bars, restaurants, chiringuitos, and at festivities throughout Portugal and Spain.





With the awe-inspiring, roaring Falls, Niagara is home to some of the world's most spectacular sunsets. Watch a summer sunset with your favourite glass of wine from one of our favourite locations.

#### THE SKYLON TOWER

The Skylon Tower is 775 feet high and boasts spectacular views of the Falls. Head to the top of the tower in one of the Yellow Bug elevators and view the Falls as the sun sets on the outdoor observation deck.

#### TABLE ROCK WELCOME CENTRE

Watch the sunset from the brink of the Falls at the Table Rock Welcome Centre. Marvel as the water cascades downwards creating a mist that glimmers as the sun sets.

#### NIAGARA SKYWHEEL

A unique spot to gaze at the natural beauty of the Falls at dusk, the SkyWheel will take you 175 feet above the ground, providing incomparable views.

#### MARRIOT FALLSVIEW HOTEL AND SPA

Prefer something private? Get your own private room at the Marriot Fallsview Hotel and Spa overlooking the falls. Enjoy a glass of your favourite Niagara wine while taking in the breathtaking views.

#### RYERSON PARK

Prefer to avoid the hustle and bustle? Try Ryerson Park, in Niagara-on-the-Lake, away from the Niagara Falls. This park is small and may be hard to find but is definitely worth the trouble. People from Niagara-on-the-Lake claim they have seen some of their favourite sunsets at Ryerson Park. It may become your favourite spot too.



Not feeling a glass of wine? Well you're in luck! The Niagara region offers a variety of local restaurants that feature an array of exceptional cocktails. Just another reason to make Niagara your home!

#### **MOJITO HOUSE BAR & RESTAURANT**

Who doesn't love a good mojito? This Cuban classic features white rum, sugar, lime juice, soda water, and mint. Try a twist on the classic by getting a pineapple or even a coconut mojito! Grab one of their house made charcuterie boards as well when taking out these delicious cocktails. Head to Mojito House Bar & Restaurant when health restrictions are lifted to experience some fun Latin dancing as well!

#### TIDE AND VINE OYSTER HOUSE

If you like your Caesars big and bold, this is the place to go in Niagara. Their house made Caesar is topped with not one, but TWO wild gulf shrimp and even includes house made beef jerky. Take it out to make your Sunday morning a little bit better with their brunch featuring dishes like the Crab, Shrimp, and Avocado Toast.

#### THE BLIND PIG

The Blind Pig features your classic pub fare with an upscale twist. They handcraft their cocktails (they are all doubles which is a bonus). I recommend trying the Margarita on the Rocks featuring, my personal favourite, Espolon Reposado Tequila.

#### WAYNE GRETZKY ESTATES WINERY AND **DISTILLERY**

Would you rather wait until health restrictions are lifted to try your favourite cocktails? If so, The Whiskey Bartender: Cocktails 101 interactive experience at Wayne Gretzky Estates Winery and Distillery is right for you. The 45-minute experience is hosted by their best bartenders. Guests will receive insider tips on how to create the ultimate whisky cocktail. At the end you get to create your own and enjoy your creation!





SPLENDOUR McLeod Rd. at Kalar Rd., Niagara Falls Click to Register











Niagara's splendid new community is coming soon. Conveniently located in a prime location in Niagara Falls at Kalar and McLeod, the community is minutes from Niagara Falls, a short drive to Clifton Hill and Lundy's Lane's shops and attractions, and close to hundreds of restaurants, theatres, parks, bike paths, golf clubs, wineries, schools, Costco and more!

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The stunning townhomes are conveniently located in the heart of Niagara. Experience all the Niagara region has to offer, from fine wine to world-class entertainment in your new luxurious and grandiose townhome from Pinewood Homes.

Move in this year! **Click Here** to book your private appointment today.











In this unprecedented year, many have rediscovered what family means and how important it is to keep connected with your loved ones.

Multi-Gen homes are an exciting new concept in homeownership coming soon to Niagara for families that want to stay close and connected yet have their independence and privacy. This revolutionary new concept is a first in Niagara and promises flexibility, affordability, and options for first time buyers, grandparents and large families in the Flex-Gen or Multi-Gen floor plans. The homes offer a choice of two or three homes in one, each with their own private entrance and flexible space for everyone to enjoy.

#### **UPPER LEVEL**



#### WHO LIVES HERE:

- Parents
- Children
- Primary Earners

#### **GROUND LEVEL**



#### WHO LIVES HERE:

- Grandparents
- Grandparent and Health Care Provider

#### LOWER LEVEL



#### WHO LIVES HERE:

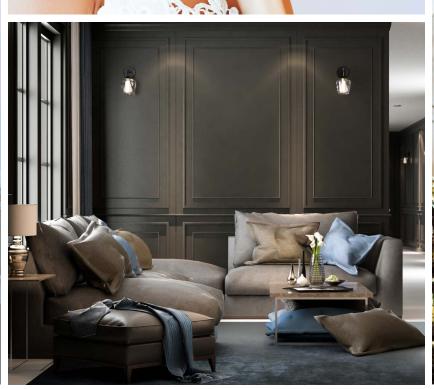
- Graduates
- Newly Weds
- Mature Students
- Extended Family
- Young Professionals
- Health Care Providers



## A SPOTLIGHT ON NIAGARA'S NEW COMMUNITIES

Coveteur Condominium St. Catharines, ON L2T 0A6 Click to Register











Chic, stylish, captivating, Coveteur is a stunning boutique condo offering a timeless design amidst classical architecture. Coveteur echoes French classicism that is timeless and tasteful, from the flared roof lines to the smallest of design details on the interiors.

Blending luxury and style with modern, contemporary designs, Coveteur will welcome you home with its meticulously curated two-storey lobby. A lushly landscaped environment surrounds the four-storey building featuring richly appointed outdoor amenity spaces creating a natural place to go and relax under a canopy of trees.

Developed by Pinewood Homes and Niagara Innovative Living to exceed customer expectations, the building offers well-appointed suites with expansive windows allowing an abundance of natural light to flow in.

Visit our website, **Pinewoodhomes.ca** to register and for more information.



# IN NAGARA?

#### THERE'S A LOT MORE TO DISCOVER THAN JUST THE FALLS & DOWNTOWN!

Families living in the New Niagara love our parks; taking a visit to one of the many local farmer's markets; getting some exercise and going for a hike or kayaking on one of our many creeks or ponds. If you think that the Niagara region is just about one famous attraction, think again. Get out and explore!

#### NIAGARA RIVER RECREATIONAL TRAIL

The Niagara River Recreational Trail meanders through some of the most beautiful countryside in the world. The great Winston Churchill drove along it and described it as "the prettiest Sunday afternoon drive in the world". It is broken into four sections, each taking 1-2 hours to complete. Bring your bike too as this trail stretches for 53 kilometres!

#### **DECEW FALLS TRAIL**

Located about 20 kilometres from Niagara Falls, this trail contains not one, but TWO waterfalls! Get away from the hustle and bustle of Downtown and escape to this picturesque trail. Keep an eye out for the mill and be careful of the steep gorge if hiking with children.

#### BALL'S FALLS HISTORICAL PARK LOOP

A little off the beaten path at 35 kilometres from Niagara Falls, but definitely worth the drive. Ball's Falls are two thirds the height of Niagara Falls but not nearly as busy. So get out and snap some Instagram worthy pics without all the people!

#### WHITE WATER WALK

This list would not be complete without the White Water Walk! Travel by elevator down 70 metres to the base of the Great Gorge and walk along the impressive Riverside Boardwalk. There are plenty of viewing platforms to get a closer look at the Whirlpool Rapids travelling by at 48 km/hr! Be sure to book in advance and follow all your local health guidelines.

#### **BRUCE TRAIL: NIAGARA SECTION**

Great for cyclists, this trail stretches hundreds of kilometres. Do it section by section or try to go the entire way if you are up for a challenge! The Bruce Trail has everything from wineries, to historical landmarks, to clear blue water.





Imagine the best of Ontario's fresh produce within easy reach. Farm to table can be a reality when you make your home in the Niagara Region. Here are some of our favourite places to pick up fresh produce in Niagara.

#### NIAGARA FALLS FARMER'S MARKET

Over 50 years old and located in the heart of Niagara Falls, The Niagara Falls Farmer's Market is home to some of the best produce the Niagara Region has to offer. With over 30 vendors assembling there every Saturday, there is something for everyone. Grow, bake, and make at the Niagara Falls Farmer's Market.



#### ST. CATHARINES FARMER'S MARKET

One of the oldest Farmer's Markets in the Niagara Region, the St. Catharines Farmer's Market has been around since the early 1860's! Located in the centre of St. Catharines, the Market delivers the best Niagara grows, bakes, and makes. Buy fresh, local, and handmade items and learn from the vendors how to make your own delicious treats! Buy local, eat fresh!

#### THE FARMER'S MARKET AT THE VILLAGE

Located in picturesque Niagara-on-the-Lake, the Farmer's Market at the Village began in 2007 in response to growing calls to support local. Every Saturday morning you can find a gourmet selection of local fresh fruits and vegetables, prepared foods, fresh bread, baked goods, jams, jellies, pickles and preserves, wine, butter, cheese, granola, eggs, honey and more! While closed this year, usually you can find The SupperMarket on Wednesday evenings. The SupperMarket features 20+ gourmet food trucks and vendors, local wine, beer, cocktails and more!



#### **OLD COUNTRY NIAGARA FARMS**

Try something different and support this family run farm in Niagara. They grow non-GMO, zero pesticide vegetables grown locally in Niagara. The best part, they deliver them straight to your door. With their Vegetable Subscription Box, you can get your fresh produce delivered to you weekly or bi-weekly, depending on your needs. Only in Niagara!





#### PREFER A MORE **RELAXED WEEKEND?**

Try some of our favourite places to get brunch in the Niagara region.

#### FLOUR MILL RESTAURANT

The Flour Mill is located in the Old Stone Inn in the Fallsview Tourist Area. They hand select their food from their favourite local farmers and artisanal producers. I recommend trying the eggs benedict accompanied with rosemary-scented breakfast potatoes!

#### CIPPY'S PLACE

Looking for a classic, bacon, eggs, and sausage kind of brunch? Look no further than Cippy's Place. Cippy (Paul Cipparone Senior) runs this brunch spot. It is a local, family run business. When we are able to go out and eat again, head there for an old-school diner vibe and grab something like the French toast, or the eggs and sausages. Or try take-out in the meantime!





Want something sweeter for brunch? Or just have a sweet tooth? Give Paris Crêpes a try. Try the Balzac Crêpe with chocolate, espresso, ice cream, chantilly, and almonds. Or maybe the Nutella Crêpe with the extensive ingredient list of Nutella, Nutella, and Nutella. You can also have some fun and try the various bubbly drinks they offer like the Blood Orange Mimosa.

#### TIDE AND VINE OYSTER HOUSE

Fish? For brunch? Why of course! Try something different at the Tide and Vine Oyster House located in Niagara Falls. Try the Classic Lobster Roll with chunked Canadian Atlantic lobster, caper and tarragon mayo, a toasty buttered bun, and a German style potato salad. Or maybe the Albacore Tuna Salad. This dish features sesame crusted line caught BC tuna, arugula, shaved radish and carrot, Nappa cabbage, apple, pickled ginger, miso dressing, and a tobiko soy reduction.



#### REVALEE

A little further away from the others, but definitely worth the drive. This spot is located in Vineland Station, just west of St. Catharines. It features a variety of local foods, pour over coffee, and an expansive tea selection. The menu features a variety of vegan options, such as a Vegan Blueberry and Earl Grey French Toast! If you are not feeling the vegan options, fear not, they have other items as well, such as the Rancheros Tostada. This dish features corn tostada, Mexican baked beans, chorizo, pico de gallo, avocado, queso panela, a fried egg, and cilantro.



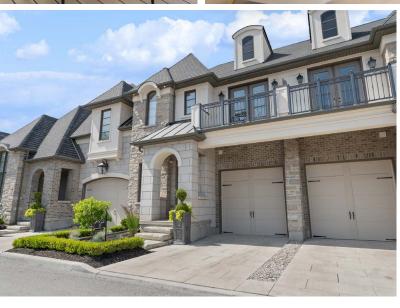
















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