

LAKE ONTARIO

LINCOLN LAKESHORE

BEAMSVILLE BENCH

CREEK SHORES

WEST NIAGARA

TWENTY MILE
BENCHSHORT HILLS
BENCH

VINEMOUNT RIDGE

NOTABLE FEATURES

West Niagara is one of three regional appellations within the Niagara Peninsula. Regional appellations are a collection of appellations with similar character and winemaking experience. Situated west of St. Catharines and the Welland Canal, this region encompasses six sub-appellations: Beamsville Bench, Twenty Mile Bench, Short Hills Bench, Lincoln Lakeshore, Creek Shores, and Vinemount Ridge.

STATISTICS

Growing degree days (avg.): 1,583

Frost free days: 205 (-2°)

July mean temperature: 22.5°

Precipitation: 543mm (grow season)

Common varietals: Chardonnay, Riesling, Pinot Noir, Cabernet Franc, Gamay Noir

Annual Production (2024-25): 128,270 (9L cases)

Number of VQA wines: 402

Number of wineries: 60