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**Brett Dufur : Exploring Missouri Wine Country, 3rd Updated Revised Edition (Show Me)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Exploring Missouri Wine Country, 3rd Updated Revised Edition (Show Me):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Little outdated, but still nice to look atBy HI hope that a new version comes out in the near future with the wineries that weren't around when this version was printed. It is a nice book for getting a glimpse of the winery history.

This guidebook to Missouri wine country profiles wineries, their histories, area highlights, wine tasting tips and descriptions of Missouri varieties, home-winemaking recipes, a dictionary of wine terms and more. Also lists nearby bed breakfasts, services and state parks.

A "must" for visitors to the Show Me State's wineries "And the wine is bottled poetry", a quote from Robert Louis Stevenson is the greeting on the title page of this book which is one of the most complete guides to the Missouri wine industry that has been published. Dufur, whose Pebble Publishing is headquartered in Columbia, MO, home of the state university, brings not only a vast knowledge to his latest effort, but a reflection of his deep affection for his home state that translates into the poetry of one of the nation's oldest and reemerging wine territories. His knowledge of the

state is enhanced by his previous works, including *The Complete Katy Trail Guidebook* (the Katy Trail is a scenic and highly popular bike trail from the St. Louis region to Kansas City which traverses much of the state's most popular wine regions). He is also the author of *The Best of Missouri Hands*, and co-author of *The River Valley Companion - A Nature Guide*, and *Forgotten Missourians Who Made History*. With titles like these and his knowledge of and love for Missouri, he makes what could have become nothing more than a simple listing or guidebook, an interesting insight into Missouri's wine heritage. He discusses the rich heritage of the state's wineries, and some of the facts might be of surprise to readers who will discover that Missouri was once the country's leading wine producer, or that picturesque Stone Hill Winery, located in Hermann was the nation's third-largest winery before prohibition. The diversity of the state's wineries is described by interesting introductions to the regions of the state, accompanied by descriptions of each winery and a listing and, where available, review of the offerings at each site. The wineries, some of which trace their origins to more than a century ago, range from traditional Midwestern farm-homes to more elaborate sites with restaurants, large tasting rooms and even their own web sites for direct sales to www surfers. The guidebook is, as it claims, the perfect companion to help in wine lovers' exploration of Missouri wine country. It includes service information for every winery in the state with maps, photographs, wine lists, bed breakfasts and listing of other nearby attractions. Dufur's book offers verification of the state's slogan about its wines and wineries, "Look how far we've come." He makes a strong case that with its unique varieties of grapes and wines, plus is diverse settings, the popularity of Missouri wines can be expected to continue to grow. It truly is time for wine aficionados to learn more about Missouri wines. Exploring Missouri Wine Country can be a valuable assist. -- Dan Hines, Americas Wines, February 1998

**From the Back Cover** This guidebook is the perfect companion to help you explore Missouri wine country by car, by bicycle, by boat and even by train. From basic wine tasting to highlighting Missouri's dynamic new generation of winemakers, and even starting a vineyard, this book takes you from the vine to the wine. If you've ever wanted to take a daytrip to a Missouri winery-or plan a romantic weekend getaway-this book is for you. This definitive guidebook includes handy service information for every winery in the state. It includes maps, photographs, wine lists, bed breakfasts and listings of other nearby attractions. It also tells the story of the industrious German and Italian immigrants who made Missouri wine country possible. Missouri wine country is surging ahead. Missouri wines are once again winning national and international acclaim. There's never been a better time than right now to explore Missouri wine country.

**About the Author** Brett Dufur received his Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia. His interest in Missouri history has inspired several books including "The Complete Katy Trail Guidebook" and "Best of Missouri Hands." He is also co-author of "The River Valley Companion-A Nature Guide" and "Forgotten Missourians Who Made History".