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The Great Wine Capitals Global Network is proud to present this year's recipients of its Best Of Wine Tourism Awards for 2014.

These award winners have excelled through their outstanding offerings in the areas of service, innovation, creativity and authenticity, representing their regions each in a unique way.

This is the 11th year the Great Wine Capitals Global Network has presented this prestigious award. Our goal is always to promote the significance of our wine tourism industries, while at the same time celebrate the excellence of these businesses throughout the greatest wine regions in the world.

Every one of these award winners is more than worth the trip to one of our renowned member cities and wine regions. We invite you to visit us and discover a world of premium wines!

Sincerely,

Bill Dodd, President Great Wine Capitals Global Network









Find all the Best Of Wine Tourism winners since 2010 on our website www.greatwinecapitals.com and find out how to experience vibrant cities and world class wines through our specialized incoming travel agencies (see p. 34).

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Best Of Wine Tourism

The 10 member cities of the Great Wine Capitals Global Network (Bilbao I Rioja, Bordeaux, Cape Town I Cape Winelands, Florence, Christchurch I South Island, Mainz I Rheinhessen, Mendoza, Porto, San Francisco I Napa Valley, Valparaíso I Casablanca Valley) are pleased to present the 2014 selection of the most original, innovative vine and wine sites for visitors.

An international panel of experts examined applications from each of the wine regions in the Network, in seven categories covering the whole spectrum of wine tourism:

- Architecture and landscapes,
- Art and culture,
- Innovative wine tourism experiences,
- Accommodation,
- Wine tourism services,
- Sustainable wine tourism practices,
- Wine tourism restaurants.

The winners of the competition are listed in this brochure, and guarantee visitors:

- a genuine, top-quality reception,
- an original, innovative way of discovering the local heritage,
- a range of services to meet the strictest requirements.



BILBAO I RIOJA



Bilbao, the most important city in northern Spain, is located on the coast of the Bay of Biscay. It is today a rich and vibrant city, with important cultural spaces such as the Guggenheim Museum, and the gleaming, arched footbridge, the Pasarela de Uribitarte, designed by Spaniard Santiago Calatrava. It is also the gateway to the Rioja wine region, with its centuries old traditions and rich and varied regional cuisine.

The architectural treasures of Bilbao - where even the metro system has been designed by Sir Norman Foster, winner of the prestigious Pritzker Architecture Prize - has carried over into its neighbouring wine district, and the stunning scenery of Rioja is contrasted with an ever growing number of startling, excitingly designed wineries, cellars and welcome centres.





Bodegas Dinastia Vivanco

The temporary exhibitions that the Warehouse Dynastia Vivanco shelters in its facilities as well as the itinerant exhibitions, travelling all over the country are of a great artistic and ethnological richness. Always related to the oenology, they help to spread the culture of wine. The funds of paintings and engraved that hoards the warehouse are the proof of its cultural bet.



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Bodegas Ostatu

For several generations, viticulture has been the everyday activity of the Sáenz de Samaniego family. The four brothers and sisters (Gonzalo, Ernesto, Mariasun and Iñigo) have been running the winery since 2000. Their commitment to innovation in their viticulture has made Ostatu a renowned winery and a pioneer in innovative practices in the vineyards and in environmental management. They were granted the Carbon Neutral Emissions certificate in 2012, a commitment they pass on to their visitors.



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Gourmet Echapresto S.L. Venta de Moncalvillo

The sommelier of this one Michelin star restaurant, located in Daroca, La Rioja, Spain, is a true expert in wines from Rioja and other designations of origin. The passion with which he carries out his work spreads to customers. The wine restaurant is simply superb and the pedagogical work developed by Carlos Echapresto during his tastings and conferences is remarkable. A passion forged day by day.



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Grupo Empresarial Criteria - Calado - S.L.

We are in front of a wonderful restoration of a building at the heart of the Old Quarter of the City of Logroño, La Rioja, Spain. The "cellar" ("Calado" in Spanish) is located in a building of the sixteenth century. The remodeling work in the different rooms -especially "The Cellar"- has been developed with care, respecting his heritage value. Many wine related events are organized there.



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Hotel Viura

Food and wine enthusiasts have a key point of reference where they can stay during their visit to the wine region of La Rioja. Viura, the name of this four-star hotel, is a space for relaxation, leisure and cuisine, all under a carefully styled architecture that perfectly integrates with the landscape of Villabuena de Álava; a spectacular design that results in incredible combinations of light and brightness throughout the hotel. Located in Villabuena de Álava, Viura is the ideal base to stay and discover the rich region of La Rioja.



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Pagos de Leza

Pagos de Leza is not only a winery, it is a place where visitors can enjoy and learn about the exciting world of Rioja Alavesa wines and the environment where they are produced in the company of excellent hosts: the Santa Maria family, owner of this modern and newly built winery where tradition and innovation go hand in hand to ensure a fun experience to each visitor. Themed guided tours and meals, tasting games, barrel and bottling workshops, concerts, fashion catwalks and cooking workshops are offered on a regular basis.



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Pepita Uva



Pepita Uva, wine, crafts and routes, is a multi-disciplinary space that offers wine tourism-related services. Located in Laguardia, a medieval village in the heart of the Rioja Alavesa region, it is the departure point for a tour of this medieval town and of the entire La Rioja D.O. Pepita Uva propose a range of experiences to share passion for wine. The owners open the doors of their house, placing a wide range of activities at visitors' disposal.



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BORDEAUX



Ideally located in southwest France, close to the chic resorts of the Côte d'Argent and just 2 hours from the Pyrénées mountains, the Unesco World Heritage city of Bordeaux is one of the most revered names in the world of wine, with over 2,000 years of wine making history and a wealth of technical expertise. The region is a fascinating mix of stately 18th châteaux in the Médoc, thousand-year old towns and villages in Saint-Emilion and the Libournais, beautiful landscapes in the Graves and Sauternais region and the recently-renovated city centre, with its abundance of wine bars and gourmet restaurants. The different wine regions in Bordeaux are easy to explore, with more and more properties offering exciting experiences to the wine tourist, from hands-on workshops in cru classé châteaux to horse riding through the vines in the rolling hills of Entre-deux-Mers.





Château de Rouillac

Château de Rouillac, which formerly belonged to the famous Baron Haussmann, is an ideal venue for corporate seminars. This estate full of history features the sorts of top-level modern services expected by professionals. Participants have an outstanding view of the 17th century manor house and its stables with draught horses and race horses that train every day. Introductory wine tasting courses, cooking workshops, riding shows, vineyard tours in a horsedrawn carriage or a 4X4 are just some of the leisure activities available to participants in professional meetings.



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Château de La Dauphine

Château de La Dauphine, nestled in a curve of the Dordogne, is located in the heart of a 40 hectare vineyard that is the second largest in the Fronsac appellation. Beautiful grounds with majestic trees overlook the river and an impressive drive with century-old stone pines offers a sensation of calm and wellbeing that invariably charms visitors. The 18th century manor house is imbued with the spirit of a royal guest, Marie-Josèphe De Saxe, Dauphine de France and mother of King Louis XVI. The woodwork and decoration give visits a unique dimension. Both history and wine make this estate well worth discovering.



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Château du Tertre

Located on the highest point in the Margaux appellation, Château du Tertre overlooks a beautiful 80-hectare estate. This noble château is surrounded by magnificently landscaped grounds and epitomises the elegance of the Regency period. The interior decoration reflects Tuscan and Flemish influences and offers guests a warm, refined atmosphere: 5 comfortable rooms with a view over the vineyard. A guided tour of the estate is included in the price.



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Château Gravas

Wine and art in all its forms are inextricably intertwined at Château Gravas. Cultural events, musical performances, and exhibitions take place in every season: "Printemps de Gravelor", an exhibition highlighting the artists of a given country in July, a Christmas market with craftsman, etc. On a more regular basis, the works of the famous painter and sculptor Paul Flickenger have been renewed each spring. Music lovers are not forgotten either, since there is an intimate concert every year in this gracious country house nestled in a beautiful green, vine-covered setting.



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Château Larose Trintaudon

Château Larose Trintaudon has made a concerted effort since 1999 to produce wines of irreproachable quality while paying total respect to the environment. Well-aware of the fragile nature of the terroir, the estate owners have instituted a management system focusing on sustainable development. This led to ISO 9001, ISO 14001, and Sustainable Agriculture certification. Larose Trintaudon is the first European vineyard to be designated as "exemplary" by the Afnor in their 2010 reference document! Providing tours and tastings is a way of showing visitors that the emphasis on quality and the desire to set an example remain intact.



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Château Larrivet Haut-Brion

Discovering the world of wine at Château Larrivet Haut Brion can take many forms, and is always unusual and convivial: tasting of young or mature white wines with caviar from Aquitaine or aged cheeses in an "industrial-style" venue, picnicking on the château grounds, enjoying the works of a local artist thanks to the "1 château, 1 artist" program, and "œnofolies" combining wine tasting and unusual locations such as a top a dune overlooking the ocean, in an art gallery, or in a mysterious Parisian cellar...



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CAPE TOWN | CAPE WINELANDS



Cape Town is the southernmost metropolis in South Africa, placed at the confluence of the Atlantic and the Indian oceans, with a history of winemaking that stretches back over three-and-a-half centuries. Its pleasant Mediterranean climate makes it a perfect destination for year-round breaks, and the international attractions of Cape Town are complemented by many diverse winegrowing regions within easy reach of its beaches, restaurants, and iconic Table Mountain. Wine tourists can explore the stunning scenery of Stellenbosch and Paarl, the gourmet secrets of Franschhoek, or the great outdoors of the Klein Karoo and the majestic Cederberg mountains. Most wineries - from traditional Cape Dutch gabled buildings to architecturally-designed contemporary spaces - offer cellar-door experiences, gourmet restaurants, well-stocked boutiques and tailored winetasting experiences. To complete the South African visit, luxurious game reserves are a short flight away.





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Vergelegen

Set in the pastoral tranquility of extensive gardens and grounds, the Vergelegen Homestead and associated buildings offer interiors that provide a layered historicism of the 300 years of Vergelegen's existence. This is achieved through the display of treasured antiques, objets and ceramics set against the backdrop of important artworks from the Permanent Collection of Iziko Museum's South African National Gallery. The 'Stables at Vergelegen' Bistro and 'Camphors at Vergelegen' Restaurant offer visitors an eclectic display of South African artwork including community based initiatives, reflecting the harmony between the 'old' and 'new' at Vergelegen.



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Babylonstoren

Babylonstoren is a Cape Dutch farm with vineyards and orchards surrounded by the dramatic mountains of the Drakenstein Valley. It has an exceptionally well-preserved yard dating from 1690. Guests staying at the exclusive farm hotel enjoy access to the entire farm, restaurants, spa and gym facilities. Guests may enjoy a walk in the remarkable fruit and vegetable garden, along the Clivia lined stream, sample wines grown on the slopes around the Simonsberg and enjoy a meal at one of the restaurants where distinct flavours celebrate the seasons and the bounty of the garden.



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Camphors at Vergelegen

'Camphors at Vergelegen' takes its name from the magnificent camphor trees planted in 1700 - situated in front of the historic homestead. Vergelegen produces classic wine varietals which Executive Chef PJ Vadas and his team have carefully paired with dishes that reflect a modern take on local and international classic food. Restaurant Manager and Sommelier, Christo Deyzel, and his team guide visitors through the menu and preferred wine selection to ensure a truly relaxed but informative food and wine experience.





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Delaire Graff Estate



Delaire Graff is one of South Africa's most desirable art, hospitality and wine destinations. It features two outstanding restaurants, a state-of-the-art winery, exclusive Lodges, a destination Spa and two luxury boutiques. Guests of the Delaire Graff Wine Lounge are offered an opportunity to experience the ultimate tasting in a refined but inviting setting. The relaxed lounge allows its guests to enjoy a leisurely tutored tasting conducted by knowledgeable staff. One may also heighten the experience with pre-arranged tours of the cellar, recently renovated into one of the most advanced in the southern hemisphere.



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La Motte Wine Estate



La Motte Estate is situated in one of the most scenic areas of the Cape Winelands - the Franschhoek Valley. Amongst its special attributes are a wine tasting room, a restaurant, a museum, hiking trail and farm shop - all contributing to an entertaining and educational Winelands experience. Being farmed in a sustainable and organic way, further add to La Motte's appeal and guests are invited to learn more on guided walks. A formal environmental policy is in place. The sensitive ecosystem of fynbos has been rehabilitated and all farming is organic. Numerous awards acknowledge La Motte's commitment towards the environment.



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Spice Route Winery Destination



The Spice Route experience is a completely unique concept for the wine and hospitality industry. A carefully curated selection of artisans showcase a wide range of innovative and unique winelands experiences at one destination. It is a collaboration of artisans that showcase their produce and share their knowledge with their visitors and each other. Tasting and experiences include wine tasting, beer tasting, tea tasting, biltong tasting, artisan chocolate tasting and Grappa tasting. The visitors experience is further enhanced with a glass blowing studio and the Spice Route Restaurant.



CHRISTCHURCH | SOUTH ISLAND



Christchurch City is the gateway to the South Island of New Zealand which has long been famed for its stunning, unspoiled and varied landscapes - native forests, snow-capped mountains and kilometers of lush greenery that sweeps to the edges of a spectacular coastline. With our small population, isolated location and agricultural economy - we have earned our clean, green image, with visitors often describing the South Island as "an unspoiled paradise". Equal to the international acclaim for our country's beauty is that for our fine wines. With wine-growing regions spanning the latitudes 41.5 to 45 degrees South and covering the length of 800 kilometers, we host one of the wine world's most picturesque and productive wine settings. Five renowned wine regions make up the Christchurch | South Island Great Wine Capital, including: Canterbury, Central Otago, Marlborough, Nelson and Waipara Valley. The regions host spectacularly different - yet equally beautiful - landscapes, with varying weather patterns and vineyard styles.





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Brancott Estate Heritage Centre

The Brancott Estate Heritage Centre was built using environmentally-friendly techniques, and includes a restaurant, specialising in fresh, seasonal produce, cellar door and premium hosting facilities. The Centre won the Sustainable Wine Tourism Practices Award for its guided wine experience 'The Living Land'. This experience enables visitors to discover in one hour how Brancott Estate wines are created with the environment in mind. Brancott's 'Mastery of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc' programme secured the Innovative Wine Tourism Award – this programme includes a tutored wine tasting and presents the pioneering spirit and history behind the creation of a wine style which has since enchanted the world.



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Northburn Station

Owners Jan and Tom Pinckney showed great vision in creating the building and landscapes that comprise Northburn. This picturesque venue is located on a high country merino station with stunning lake and mountain views. The Shed Cellar Door Restaurant, also recognised by the Awards, offers fresh seasonal vegetables from two large kitchen gardens together with other local produce. Northburn Station is only five minutes from Cromwell and surrounding wineries, 35 minutes to Wanaka, 40 minutes to Queenstown International Airport and 50 minutes to Queenstown.



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Selwyn Food and Wine Trail

Selwyn Food and Wine Trail is a collection of artisan wine and food producers in Canterbury's beautiful Selwyn district. Experiences range from unique and memorable wine tastings with growers, sampling fresh regional produce at farmers' markets, visiting destination cafes and restaurants serving local food and fine wine, and staying at beautiful boutique accommodation.



FLORENCE



One of the most evocative names in the world, Florence is located in the heart of Tuscany, a region of rolling hills, stately cypress trees, ancient olive groves and endless vistas of vineyards reaching down to the Mediterranean sea. The Medieval city of Florence, with its iconic art galleries and museums, is protected by Unesco, and is also the perfect base for exploring the wine-regions of Tuscany. The heart of Tuscany is found among the central hills of Chianti, and its soul in the Sangiovese grape, making rich and gentle Chianti Classico. Wine tourism here unrolls at the same leisurely pace as the rest of life - art courses among the vines, walking or horse riding through vineyards, food and wine matching making the most of the luscious Italian foodstuffs, from sun-drenched tomatoes to rich wild boar pastas.





Castello di Gabbiano

The charming atmosphere of the rooms settled in the medieval castle completes the elegance of the apartments located in the country house dating back to the 16th century. The eleven rooms, each of them with its unique décor, and careful touch for detail, create together a perfect symphony. They are managed by a very professional staff. The winery offers a real immersion in the Chianti Classico wine production world.



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Agricola San Felice

An elegant hotel (affiliated with Relais & Chateaux international chain) created by a magistral restoration of a medieval borgo, a small architectural gem perfectly preserved in the charming landscape of Chianti region. The refined hotel located between the main villa and the medieval houses offers luxurious rooms and suites, all furnished with top handmade Tuscan furniture and all of the most up-to-date amenities. A swimming pool, a spa centre, meeting rooms and tennis courts complement traditions such as a wine shop, where it's possible to have professional guided wine tasting tours.



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Azienda Agricola Panzanello

Organic farm since 1998, Panzanello's dimension permits looking after the smallest details in every phase of production. From the vines to the cellar, from the land to the vats, the link that unites the hearts and the minds of those who work and live there is their love for the land and their passion for wine. The estate also includes an old villa, home of the owners, a recently restored cellar, a cosy tasting room and terraces from which one can enjoy a magnificent typically Tuscan view. Comfortable and nice lodgings are available for holidays in the farm.



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Castello di Poppiano

The farm and the castle belong to the Guicciardini family since 1199, and wine and olive oil were already produced there in the 15th century. Since the Sixties, radical changes to the estate led to the modern vineyards and cellar, a progress always carried out in respect of tradition. In the enchanting frame of the castle it is possible to enjoy wine tasting and tours to the cellar and to the olive mill, to attend summer music and food events and to taste the best wines of the propriety, fruit of love for earth, surrounded by centuries of history.



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Castello La Leccia

The castle, mentioned in historical documents of 1077, has suffered for raids and devastation along the centuries, until the second world war. A recent restoration with eco-friendly materials and techniques transformed it in a modern and cosy farm house, with 12 rooms, elegantly furnished, all with views over the surrounding countryside, wooden floors, beamed ceilings, pastel colors, precious fabrics and designed furniture, in order to create a warm and sophisticated atmosphere. The owners' love for this land led to create a place where you feel cuddled in every moment of the day.



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Enotria

Gilda and Maurizio run this wine cellar and restaurant in the centre of Florence whose name means "land of wine". Quality and tradition are the characteristic of their cuisine: the dishes are the result of a balanced search for the best raw materials: oil, meat, legumes and aromatic herbs give sense to the act of eating. The wine cellar is constantly updated and offers a great choice of large and small producers. The restaurant, simple and cosy, hosts the premises of the Florence Wine Society, an association of wine and food enthusiasts which organises regular events and wine tasting.



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Tenuta di Poggio Casciano

Around this beautiful Renaissance villa (15th century), built on the ruins of a medieval building, the air is pervaded with history and art. It hosts the office of Ruffino's agronomic team and communication department, a showcase of the company Tuscan production, enriched by a priceless antique etching collection with subjects related to wine. Different type of wine tours are offered illustrating the various phases of the wine production and culture, with multimedia info points showing all the Tuscan properties. The company is the only Italian winery included in Constellation Brands.



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MAINZ | RHEINHESSEN



The city of Mainz is a vibrant German wine centre that borders the great wine rivers of the Rhine and the Main, in the state of Rheinland-Pfalz. It is home to the German Wine Institute, the German Wine Fund, and the Association of German Prädikat Wine Estates (VDP. Die Prädikatsweingüter), which brings together the top winemakers of Germany with the wine merchants of the world. No less than 6 wine regions surround the cathedral city - including Rheinhessen, Germany's largest wine-growing area. Today a young generation of winegrowers has reinvigorated the region with their creativity, passion and knowhow, getting the fullest expression out of local grape varieties Riesling, Müller Thurgau and Spätburgunder (Pinot Noir). The city of Mainz is known for its history, its university, its great food and drink scene, and the excellence of its cultural centres such as the Gutenberg Museum.





Weingut Eppelmann

In April 2013 the Eppelmann Estate set up the multi-media wine hike in Stackeden-Elsheim. Along various hiking paths through the vineyards visitors can use their smartphone and internet video clips to learn more about grape varieties, the terroir and grape processing right in the respective individual vineyard sites. Not only are the guests welcome at the Vinothek and estate, but they are especially invited to embrace the wine as a whole with its origin in the vineyard to the pleasure of finally tasting it.



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Mainz

WINE TOURISM SERVICES



Herrgottsgarten

Lovingly and individually created events and trips: the heart of the old town of Mainz is home to the two owners of the Herrgottsgarten and the place where they arrange premium events of sophisticated wine pleasure. They always make sure to convince with a perfect combination of beautiful scenery, excellent wines and great ideas such as a wine tasting at full moon, a hike ending with a traditional roast duck dinner, or a torch hike with mulled wine.



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Mainz

ART AND CULTURE



Oliver de Luca

Oliver de Luca is known in Mainz not only for his program „Wine & Magic“ in cooperation with Gebert's Weinstuben, Best Of Wine Tourism Award winner in the category of Wine Tourism Restaurants in 2009. His idea of enchanting guests as a wizardly host, by combining magic moments, food and wine and thus creating a wholistic and sensuous experience, inspires his audience again and again.



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Weingut Dohlmühle

The Dohlmühle, one of the oldest mills on the little river Wiesbach, was first made mention of in 1346. Today, the traditional estate can be counted amongst the pioneers of the region. The Dohlmühle Estate impresses with its comprehensive offering including accommodation, a spa, a restaurant as well as a vaulted cellar, and truly pampers visitors with wine and food tastings, covered wagon tours through the vineyards, readings, and other events.



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Weingut Hildegardishof

Modern but also committed to tradition, the Hildegardishof wine restaurant can accommodate more than 300 guests in several rooms and serves authentic local cuisine and excellent wines from Rheinessen. Naturally, with over 30 different grape varieties that are currently cultivated, a wide range of wine tastings is available.



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Weingüter Willems & Hofmann

While on the outside clear and simple lines dominate, integrating rather subtly, minimalist and quite technically into the surroundings, inside the building the tasting room inspires with large glass surfaces that allow extensive views of the production area and the barrique cellar. This visual linking if not only production and tasting but also the surrounding hilly Rheinessen landscape offers visitors a deep insight into the world of wines.



MENDOZA



Mendoza, located in mid-west Argentina, is the country's 4th largest city, and is the vibrant center of its wine making, accounting for almost 70% of the output of a sophisticated and dynamic industry. Its exceptional climate allows the best grapes to ripen, among them the signature grape of Argentinean wine - Malbec.

In the heart of the Andes Mountains your senses are stimulated with unique experiences, aromas and tastes, in perfect harmony with the great wines of Argentina. Framed by the beauty of the vineyards, more than 120 wineries in Mendoza open their doors with wine tastings, art & culture, horseback riding through vineyards, lodges & spa's... all prepared to give your senses an authentic and unforgettable experience. Mendoza's gastronomy is a perfect companion: it offers you the chance to enjoy the simplicity of the typical "asado & empanadas" as well as the sophistication found in modern gourmet restaurants, all paired with the best wines of Mendoza.





Ruca Malén Restaurant & Winery

Ruca Malén was one of the first wineries in Mendoza to develop the tasting menu concept and has positioned itself as one of the most successful restaurants in wineries in Argentina. Their goal is to express the terroir in each of the elements that make up the experience of having lunch at Ruca Malén, offering the best pairing of wines with the local cuisine. With a privileged view on vineyards and on the Andes, the exceptional wines and excellent cuisine, of this winery is an excellent choice to enjoy a tasting menu.



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Bodega Navarro Correas

Since 1996 "Navarro Correas Winery" is the sole Latin American and Caribbean Winery in the Diageo brand portfolio. This winery has often been awarded for their wines, their tourism offer and cultural events, but also for their corporate social responsibility, which has become one of their major pillars. The "Learning For Life - Tourism Project" inspires the communities to identify their strengths and encourages development on a natural and cultural level. It transforms them in sources of income for tourism.



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Casa Antucura Luxury Wine Hotel & Winery

Casa Antucura is situated besides the Andes Mountain, amidst the splendid beauty of its environment. It is truly a place to celebrate the earth and its best wines. Casa Antucura Wine Hotel offers an experience deep in the wine country. Exquisite elegance and refined details characterize this intimate country home with the unique experience of a luxury hotel in Mendoza. From the Lodge's eight exclusive rooms, there are majestic views across the vineyards and on to the Andes Mountains.



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Entre Cielos Luxury Wine Hotel & SPA

Member of the "Small Luxury Hotel of the World" brand, "Entre Cielos" lies surrounded by grape wines, in the foothills of the Andes. Four elements define Entre Cielos – the Hotel, for luxury lifestyle; the Hamam Spa for unique relaxation; the restaurants for gourmet sensations and the wine, for connecting with the earth. Their main attraction is the Hamam: a wellness circuit of 6 stages with steam bath, exfoliation rooms, a hot stone, different massage rooms where is included the famous wine therapy.



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Josefina Rosner Wine Web & Communication

This company offers innovation, adaptability and high performance quality in different formats of premium and free wine maps, online products and social networks, bringing informations and recommendation. Those products contain integrated and comprehensive business and tourist information according to the reader's needs, which can choose what places to visit and know how to get there. Their wine maps portfolio is an excellent choice to discover the best wineries in Mendoza.



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Los Toneles - Social Events, Restaurant & Winery

This winery pays tribute to the rich cultural and architectonic history of Mendoza, combining flavors and aromas with elegant, well organized and distinguished areas. Built in 1922, it represents the wine making "golden era" that took place in Argentina. "Los Toneles" has kept the warm rusticity of the 'adobe cuyano' in infinite walls that adds warmth and country environment. The small details of forged steel and the sense of careful silence are combined in a functional architecture.





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Park Hyatt

Master food and wine

One of the finest hotels in Mendoza organizes this unique event that also takes place in various Hyatt hotels in the world. The Mendoza's Hyatt hotel is the only one of the brand where guests and tourists from around the world can visit the best wineries and live real and sensorial experiences at the vineyards. A recognized world event where the best chefs' cuisine, wineries visits and great landscapes are ideally combined. A 4-day event of flavors and aromas in Mendoza, hosted in luxury at Park Hyatt Hotel.



PORTO



Porto is one of Europe's oldest tourist destinations. The city is, at the same time, contemporary and creative. This can be seen in its streets, its architectures and its monuments, its museums, its World Heritage Historical Centre, its leisure spaces, its esplanades and its shopping areas which run from the traditional to the modern and exclusive. Porto as city of wine represents three different types: Port, Vinho Verde and Douro wine. Wines from the Douro region are beginning to be accepted as some of Portugal's finest. Owner of an exceptional sensorial singularity, Vinho Verde represents the best of white wines from Portugal. Whatever you choose to do, let yourself be carried away by your senses, for then you can be sure that your experience will be an unforgettable one!





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The Yeatman

The Yeatman is a luxury wine hotel and spa and offers the very best of Portugal: from gastronomy and wine to the art of good hospitality. It is a member of the highly respected chain Relais & Châteaux, with 82 bedrooms and suites overlooking Porto and the Douro River. The Yeatman restaurant has one Michelin star restaurant led by Chef Ricardo Costa and its cellars offer the largest collection of Portuguese wines in the world. The hotel has a Vinotherapie® Spa by Caudalie, 11 meetings and events rooms set within 7 acres of land and gardens in the historic Port wine lodge district.



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Espaço Porto Cruz

With its stunning interior design, the Espaço Porto Cruz is a place for learning, display and relaxation, offering new sensory experiences based around Port Wine: interactive multitouch tables, short educational films, wine shop, exhibitions, tasting room, food and wine pairing in the DeCastro Gaia restaurant led by chef Miguel Castro Silva, and finishing on the Terrace Lounge 360° with Port Wine cocktails whilst enjoying the magnificent panorama of the old city of Oporto.



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Morgadio da Calçada

Property of 5 hectares of vineyards where Morgadio da Calçada wines are produced, in association with Oenologist Dirk Niepoort. This big XVIIIth century Manor House with painted ceilings, époque furniture. 8 contemporary rooms, which result from the recovery of agricultural facilities. Wine tasting is provided in the old cellars, which are home of 2 magnificent Douro barrels. The property is located in the wine village of Provesende, the most monumental of the entire region. There is a dining room in the main building for 40 guests, with candle light dinners and a meeting rooms' capacity in the main building for 40 people.





Quinta do Tedo

Vincent and Kay Bouchard have restored and modernized an estate from the 18th century that produces internationally praised Douro and Port Wines, as well as high quality olive oil. They provide guided visits in the estate, including vineyards, wine making facilities and ageing cellars, followed by wine, Port Wine and olive oil tasting. Their facilities are available for private groups, and can be booked to host a varied kind of events. Visitors will find them in the very heart of the Douro region.



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Vinum at Graham's

Vinum Restaurant & Wine Bar was created from a passion for wine and a deep attachment to the beautiful Douro vineyards. The concept of this restaurant has been born out of a wish to reflect the specific terroir of the wines, combined with the international and cosmopolitan flavor of their cuisine. At Vinum they only use the finest ingredients from the heart of the country, combined with a selection of the freshest fish. Their cuisine is cosmopolitan, with a profound respect for the natural flavors of the ingredients and is the perfect companion for their exceptional wines.



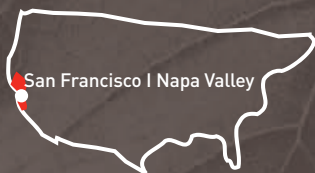
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SAN FRANCISCO | NAPA VALLEY



Located in California on the edge of the Pacific Ocean, and world-renowned for its scenic beauty and the Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco is one of the world's most loved cities and a gateway to the legendary Napa Valley. Repeatedly named a top food and wine destination, many of San Francisco's restaurants showcase Napa Valley's fine wines on their wine lists. The Napa Valley, located just over an hour north of San Francisco, has eight distinct small towns/regions, including Calistoga, St. Helena, Yountville and Napa, each with a myriad of wineries to explore. With a history of welcoming visitors that stretches back to the late 1800s, this popular area offers a gracious country experience to guests drawn by the quality of the wines, Michelin-star dining, a thriving arts scene, and healthy lifestyle activities.





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The Hess Collection

The Hess Collection winery is a historic site in a native stone building hewn by masons in 1903. The winery is now joined by The Hess Art Collection - a world-class showcase of contemporary art. Donald Hess is recognized as one of the top collectors of contemporary art, and his passion is shared without charge for visitors to The Hess Art Museum at The Hess Collection Winery. Hess is intrigued with contemporary art and its experimental, and often provocative edge, as well as its ability to mirror the cultural values of its time.



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Bardessono Hotel & Spa

Bardessono is a uniquely defined experience in hospitality that weds deep green, with luxury, a subtle aesthetic, privacy and graciousness. This 62-room hotel with its 60-seat restaurant and bar called Lucy, and in-suite spa butler program models hospitality after the enduring expressions of land and family that fostered and sustained the original Bardessono family farmstead. The hotel is California's first and the world's only luxury LEED Platinum built and certified hotel.



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Cade Estate Winery

With its panoramic views of Napa Valley, intriguing architectural design, and luxury wines crafted in the singular modern Howell Mountain style, CADE Estate is a must-see. At CADE Estate, they believe that winemaking should honor the land, both aesthetically and ecologically. The environmentally responsible construction of CADE includes solar panels, naturally regulated caves, reclaimed and recycled materials and much more. They are proud to be the first organically farmed LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Gold Certified estate winery in Napa Valley.





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Cuvaision Estate Wines

The Carneros Tasting Room and winery are of architectural intrigue, offering a warm, yet modern feel that represents the Cuvaision Estate Wines brand, and provides a backdrop for an experience that attracts a new generation of wine patrons while delighting loyal brand advocates. Cuvaision Estate Wines implements sustainable design strategies that include rainwater collection, denim insulation, passive cooling and reclaimed/FSC-certified wood siding and millwork. The winery and tasting room's intriguing architecture was designed by Gould-Evans Architecture, a national award-winning architectural firm.



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Farmstead at Long Meadow Ranch

Farmstead at Long Meadow Ranch features the seasonal, ingredient driven American farmhouse cooking of chef Stephen Barber. Featuring an authentic, farm-to-table menu with ingredients foraged from local sources and feature Long Meadow Ranch's all natural grass-fed beef, organic and sustainably produced wine, eggs, fruits, vegetables, extra virgin olive oil, vinegar and honey. Farmstead is part of a sustainable food, wine and agricultural center that offers experiences that underscore their motto of "Excellence through Responsible Farming."



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Raymond Vineyards is one of the Napa Valley's pioneers and great estates. Five generations of the Raymond family created a Napa icon, with an enduring reputation for elegant wines with a beautiful balance of finesse, power and complexity. Today, inspired by the vision of Proprietor Jean-Charles Boisset, Raymond is a dynamic destination dedicated to inspiring its guests' passion for fine wine in an environment of exploration, creativity, and elegant whimsicality, where each in a series of diverse experiences progresses visitors into another world of discovery and exceptional wines.





The Rudd Center at The Culinary Institute of America

The Rudd Center for Wine Studies at the CIA at Greystone is the ultimate setting to evaluate, appreciate, and communicate about wine. Every detail of the Rudd Center was designed to provide guests with the ultimate experience to learn about wine. As one of two colleges in the Napa Valley that offer wine education, the CIA's programs focus on wine tasting, theory, service and enjoyment. Their extensive wine cellars, expert instructors, and nearly limitless resources within the food and wine industry allow them to offer state of the art wine and beverage education to professionals and enthusiasts.



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