

Article**Famous Wine Tours of the Napa Valley****Detail:**

As one of the biggest and best wine producing regions of the United States, Napa Valley offers not only a scenic countryside beauty, it is also well known for its most popular wine tours. Spring season is considered to be the best time to enjoy the sight and sounds of the Napa valley with the world famous Napa Valley Wine Tours.

When you visit the Napa valley and its beautiful wineries, you not only get a chance to see some of the greatest wines in production stages but you also get to taste them as well and be the special few individuals who have tasted the wines even before they are rolled out to the anxiously awaiting wine enthusiasts. Although the Napa Valley is full of breathtaking scenic wonders, still its thriving wine industry is the principal reason for the booming tourism industry of Napa Valley, California.

With the Napa Valley Wine Tours, you get one of the most thrilling and beautiful experiences and it can very well be termed as your best vacation ever. The entire area covers a total of 30 miles of the Napa Valley and takes you straight through Yountville, Oakville, St. Helena and Calistoga. Napa Valley is one of the biggest tourist hubs of California and is second only to Disneyland as a tourist attraction. Through a rough estimate, it has been deduced that the Napa Valley witnesses an influx of 4.7 million person trips a year, that accounts to one person staying for one night.

History:

The history of the Napa Valley vineyards dates back to the year 1894, when Thomas Rutherford received 1,040 acres of land from his father-in-law and he decided to use the land as a breeding ground for grapes and as a hotbed for some of the most delicious and exquisite wines. In the 19th century, there were over 150 wineries with different owners and thus began the epic and booming wine production industry. However, in the year 1938 one of the winery owners Beaulieu, hired the services of Andre Tchelistcheff, who in turn jump started the wine production business by introducing innovative techniques such as cold fermentation, vineyard frost prevention and malolactic fermentation.

The Tour:

The tour of the wineries usually starts early in the morning and finishes by 6.00 pm, with a lot of fun and activities along the way. The tour includes a visit to three to four pre-determined wineries and offers a rare glimpse into the process of wine making, from the start to the end. To conclude the marvelous tour, you get various wine tasting opportunities along with the chance of buying delicious and exquisite wines at discounted prices.

Fee & Transportation:

Mostly the transportation for the Napa Valley Wine Tours is composed of passenger buses sedans and chauffeured limousine services. Some of these luxury tour operators happen to have arrangements with some of the oldest families of the Napa Valley vineyards to organize a tour for some of the oldest vineyards. The fees for these tours ranges from \$60 to \$200 and are exclusive of driver's gratuity and surcharges on fuel.

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