

# Napa Valley Trip

## Three Day Itinerary

### Day One: Arrival Day

You've arrived. Welcome to Napa!

#### Lunch

## Oxbow Public Market

610 1st St, Napa, CA 94559

(707) 226-6529 | [oxbowpublicmarket.com](http://oxbowpublicmarket.com)

Check in to your accommodations go grab lunch at Oxbow Public Market. The Ferry Building's high-ceilinged little sister has a serious concentration of Bay Area restaurants (plus shops) under one roof. Slurp oysters at Hog Island Oysters, order the famous duck tacos at C Casa, or share some sushi rolls at Eiko's. Don't miss the Oxbow's newest tenants, Bar Lucia, a rosé and sparkling wine bar; Loveski Deli; and San Francisco's El Porteño Argentine restaurant; Milestone Provisions, a butchery, eatery, and creamery in one. My favorites in the market are Hog Island Oysters, The Olive Press and Ritual Coffee Roasters. And, Model Bakery. And, Fieldwork Brewing Company (that's right, I said it).

#### Mid-Day Tasting

## Mark Herold Tasting Lounge

710 1st St, Napa, CA 94559

(707) 256-3111 | [markheroldwines.com](http://markheroldwines.com)

After lunch and caffeine walk 500 feet to Mark Herold Tasting Lounge. Beautiful Cab Sav, truly. "Through the portfolio of Mark Herold Wines, one can experience a full-throttle journey of amazing Napa Valley wines made with passion, precision and balance."

#### Dinner

## The Girl & The Fig

110 W Spain St, Sonoma, CA 95476

(707) 938-3634 | [thegirlandthefig.com](http://thegirlandthefig.com)

Low key (for wine country). The service and the food are consistent and delicious. For the adventurous: try their recipes at home. They're on the website! I've never made anything at home but I did enjoy the duck confit (in the restaurant) very much.

## Day Two

### Morning Activity

## Hot-Air Balloon Ride From Yountville

5:00a - 9:00a

Meet at Vintner's Golf Club in Yountville at 5:15AM

(800) 253-2224 | [napavalleyballoons.com](http://napavalleyballoons.com)

45 min -1 hour ride. Plan 3-4 hours

Start your wine country vacation with a spectacular sunrise adventure in a hot air balloon. After meeting us at the Vintner's Golf Course in Yountville, guests will be taken to one of our launch sites to witness the balloon inflation. Then it's off into the wild blue yonder. Our experienced pilots will share with you some of ballooning's more colorful history and some of the region's highlights. You won't regret it!

Don't allow your Napa vacation to be a dud (as if). Book a hot air balloon ride; go on an adventure!

**\$299 per person**

### Tastings & Lunch

## Ram's Gate- Sonoma

12:00p - 1:30p

28700 Arnold Dr, Sonoma, CA 95476

(707) 721-8700 | [ramsgatewinery.com](http://ramsgatewinery.com)

#### Choose One:

##### OUTDOOR WINE TASTING

Enjoy a tasting of select wines from the Ram's Gate Winery's portfolio in an outdoor and socially distanced experience. Taste five wines carefully chosen by our Director of Winemaking, Joe Nielsen that represents our Cellar Note Series, Single Vineyard Wines, and Estate Collection.

**\$50 per guest**

##### FIVE-COURSE WINE & FOOD PAIRING

Embark on a wine & culinary adventure with a five-course pairing highlighting five wines, hand-selected by our Director of Winemaking, Joe Nielsen, seamlessly paired with seasonal courses crafted by our culinary team.

**\$160 per guest**

## Afternoon Tasting

### Artesa

2:30p - 3:45p

1345 Henry Rd, Napa, CA 94559  
(707) 224-1668 | [artesawinery.com](http://artesawinery.com)

#### Choose One:

##### *Terrace Tasting*

Hosted on our beautiful terrace overlooking the Carneros hills, sample a seasonal tasting flight of our single-vineyard and reserve wines. Our winery hosts will guide you through each wine, while sharing expertise on Artesa's history and estate. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the view! This experience is complimentary for Club Artesa members.

**\$60.00 per guest**

##### *Artisanal Tasting*

Enjoy a tasting of 6 hand-selected wines from the Artesa portfolio. Our winery hosts will greet you with a taste of sparkling wine, guide you through the wine selections, and share with you the history of Artesa. This experience is complimentary for Club Artesa members.

**\$45.00 per guest**

##### *Club Artesa Tasting*

Hosted in our Wine Club Lounge, or outside Courtyard. Club Artesa members enjoy a complimentary tasting for up to 4 guests.

**\$45 per guest**

##### *Tapas and Wine*

At Artesa, our wines are made true to our Spanish-American roots and show best when accompanied by food. Greeted with a taste of Artesa sparkling wine, you will be escorted through our production facility where you will learn about our estate, history, and winemaking process. After the tour, you will be seated in our Grand Salon to sample five of our most iconic wines, each paired with a small Spanish plate, known as tapas. These small bites are meant to enjoy with our wines to enhance their aromas and flavors.

**\$85.00 per person**

## Dinner

### PRESS Restaurant, Saint Helena

587 St Helena Hwy, St Helena, CA 94574  
(707) 967-0550 | [pressnapavalley.com](http://pressnapavalley.com)

Press has been a Napa Valley fine dining staple for 15 years, best known for its meticulously sourced cuts of aged beef that pair well with big Napa Cabs and black truffle hashbrowns. Miraculously, chef Philip Tessier (a Le Bernardin, Per Se, and French Laundry alum) has raised the bar even higher. Whatever you do, don't sleep on the ricotta gnudi or sweet and sour pig ears for apps. Press also has one of the best and most comprehensive Napa Valley-exclusive wine lists around with more than 1,800 selections.

## Day Three: Saint Helena

### Morning Activity

# Barrel Blending at Conn Creek

10:30a - 1:15p

8711 Silverado Trail, St Helena, CA 94574

(707) 963-9100 | [conncreek.com](http://conncreek.com)

The Barrel Blending Experience is the perfect setting for wine lovers of all levels to enjoy a one-of-a-kind Napa Valley wine tasting experience, providing guests a rare opportunity to learn about, taste, and blend wines from the many distinctive regions that make up Napa Valley. We invite you to play winemaker for a day and take home the fruit of your labors — literally.

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

A Napa Valley AVA overview led by a wine educator

A guided tasting through AVA Cabernet Sauvignon barrel samples

Instructions on blending techniques and strategies

A bottle of your custom blend to take home

**\$150 per guest**

### Lunch

# The Model Bakery

1357 Main St, Saint Helena, CA, 94574

(707) 963-8192 | [themodelbakery.com](http://themodelbakery.com)

Model Bakery has the best English muffins in the world — and some of the world's best breakfast sandwiches made with said muffins. They're so delicious that Oprah has admitted to having them flown to her house. But that's not all: The pastry case is stacked with buttery croissants, moist banana bread, cookies, savory bread puddings, and more. Model Bakery has grown from its original digs to two additional locations in Napa (by Oxbow) and Yountville, but several specialty items (like avocado toast on sourdough bread with a hard-boiled egg and crispy bacon) are only available at the flagship bakery in St. Helena. Breakfast goodies sell out fast, but you can place your order online ahead of time and get some extra muffins to take home.

## Afternoon Tasting

### Pride Mountain

3:30p - 5:00p

4026 Spring Mountain Rd, St Helena, CA 94574

(707) 963-4949 | [pridewines.com](http://pridewines.com)

#### Choose One:

##### *Estate Experience*

A unique and educational opportunity to learn about mountain viticulture and winemaking during a progressive tasting of our current release wines. The atmosphere is relaxed and convivial and there is plenty of time for conversation and fun.

Due to current health concerns, each available appointment time is limited to a maximum of six guests.

**\$30.00 per guest**

##### *Reserve Experience*

Offers the opportunity to add a seated tasting experience of limited production wines including our Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon and library wines to a tasting of our current release wines.

Due to current health concerns, each available appointment time is limited to a maximum of six guests.

**\$60.00 per guest**

##### *Summit Experience*

Offers guests the opportunity to enjoy a seated tasting in an unparalleled environment, completely removed from the main visitor area. Included in this special experience are both current and limited release offerings, such as library, Vintner Select or Reserve wines.

Due to current health concerns, each available appointment time is limited to a maximum of six guests.

Summit Experiences are available by appointment Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

**\$90.00 per guest**

## Dinner

### Oakville Grocery Store

7856 St Helena Hwy, Oakville, CA 94562

(707) 944-8802 | [oakvillegrocery.com](http://oakvillegrocery.com)

This venerable sandwich shop and deli sits conveniently along Highway 29 and has soothed the soul of many a hungry traveler. The restored historic grocery — which has been in operation since 1881 and claims to be the oldest in the state — makes great sandwiches (the muffuletta is locally famous) and wood-fired pizzas. While you're there, shop for high-end coffee, desserts, wine, olive oil, and other pantry provisions.

## Day Four: Departure

### Breakfast

## Black Bear Diner

303 Soscol Ave, Napa, CA 94559  
(707) 255-2345 | [blackbeardiner.com](http://blackbeardiner.com)

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### Leaving Napa

Possibly a note about taking memories and wine. How to pack out wine or ship it home.