

Tuesday Afternoon Break-out Activities

Sonoma Wine Tour (\$60 per person)



Please join us for a half day of wine tasting and strolling through downtown Sonoma. Home to more than 350 wineries, its amazing range of terroir and microclimates distinguishes Sonoma County as one of the most diverse winegrape-growing regions in the world. The Pacific coastline, redwood forests, fertile valleys, and mountains produce an array of exceptional wines. During the afternoon tour, you will have the opportunity to take photos at the Golden Gate Bridge, tour and wine taste at Gloria Ferrer and Viansa Wineries, and stroll through downtown Sonoma with art

galleries and other interesting boutique shops. Your registration fee include pick up from the hotel, private shuttle with a guide familiar with the wine region, reservation and tasting fees at the wineries as well as discounts for wine purchases. We will be visiting the following two wineries.

Gloria Ferrer

Gloria Ferrer was featured in "Exploring Sonoma: An Insider's Guide" in the June 2012 issue of Wine Spectator.

Gloria Ferrer Caves & Vineyards is the gateway to Sonoma Wine Country, located 40 miles north of San Francisco at the southern tip of the county. While our wines are pure California, our culture is a charismatic blend of vibrant Spanish tradition and casual Sonoma County elegance — providing the ideal entry point for a California wine country experience with a global twist.

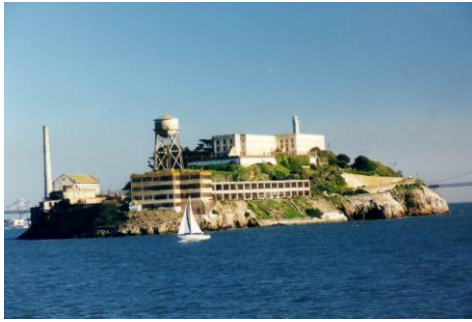
Great sparkling wine is primarily made from Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, and on this private one hour guided tour you will discover the steps taken to produce award-winning sparkling wine using the traditional methode champenoise process. As you walk throughout the winery – from production and bottling to an overlook of the main cave – you will also garner the rich history of Gloria Ferrer Caves & Vineyards. During this short journey you will revel in the tastes of two award winning sparkling wines and one estate varietal. Be sure to take in the breathtaking views of the Carneros region surrounding our Spanish style estate for a souvenir photo to remember this day. Three wines will be tasted during this tour and a 15% discount will be given for wines purchased during your visit.

Viansa Winery and Marketplace

Idyllically situated on a hilltop at the entrance to the legendary Sonoma Valley, Viansa Winery & Marketplace naturally embodies the proud history of local winemaking. With its distinctive Italian atmosphere and charming Old World architecture, Viansa Winery & Marketplace is a tribute to the early Italian immigrants who brought their winemaking traditions to Sonoma Valley. Surrounded by vineyards, flower gardens and olive groves, and modeled after the charming, centuries-old villas that dot the Tuscan landscape, the main winery building appears to have been magically transported from the Italian countryside. Painstakingly crafted from authentic materials and boasting signature details like hand-painted interior frescoes depicting peasant life in the Tuscan countryside, Viansa's Villa has the power to whisk visitors away to romantic Italy – if only for an hour or two. Meticulously landscaped grounds planted with imported Italian cypresses and stone pines, lovely terraces overlooking Sonoma Valley, and classic imported Italian statuary beautifully complete the picture.

The winery has a wide selection of Award Winning Wines, delicious Gourmet foods, Wine Country Gift baskets and one-of-a-kind home & kitchen décor and wine accessories. Come visit the Tasting Room in Sonoma Valley, where you can taste our wines and gourmet foods plus shop our Marketplace for Italian Pottery, Table Décor, openers, glassware and much, much more!!!

Alcatraz Tour (\$30 per person)



Alcatraz and history go hand in hand. Once home to some of America's most notorious criminals, the federal penitentiary that operated here from 1934 to 1963 brought a dark mystique to the Rock. The presence of infamous inmates like Al "Scarface" Capone, and the "Birdman" Robert Stroud helped to establish the island's notoriety. To this day, Alcatraz is best known as one of the world's most legendary prisons.

Many people, though, are unaware of the wealth of other stories to be learned on the island. Alcatraz is now home to rare flowers and plants, marine wildlife, and thousands of roosting and nesting sea birds. Civil War-era buildings dotting the island give insight into the 19th century when the island served as both a harbor defense fort and a military prison. You can also see visible reminders of the American Indian Occupation that started in 1969 after the prison closed, highlighting an important milestone in the American Indian rights movement.

Come experience the beauty, history and infamy of Alcatraz on the San Francisco Bay. You'll be astounded by what you learn and see. <http://www.alcatrazcruises.com/>

Muir Woods Tour (\$45 per person)



People do not just visit Muir Woods. They come from around the globe to pay homage to nature in this cathedral of redwoods. The trees' ages range from 400 to 800 years, their height up to 250 feet. Flat easy trails loop through the groves.

Muir Woods National Monument was established on January 9, 1908 when President Roosevelt signed legislation to protect an old-growth coast redwood forest from destruction.

In the light gaps beneath the redwood trees are red alders, California big leaf maples, tanoaks, and Douglas fir. The forest floor is covered in redwood sorrel, ferns, fungi, duff, and debris. Several bridges cross Redwood Creek, which flows through the park year-round. Wildlife residents include the endangered coho salmon fingerlings, Pacific wren, woodpeckers, owls, deer, chipmunks, skunks, river otters, and squirrels to name a few.