

This CORK & FORK sample itinerary has been developed based on a group of 4. We would be delighted to refine this program further according to your preferences and budget. For further information, contact Jim Dondero at 919.536.3200/jim@corkandfork.net



Five Fabulous Days in Napa

Highlights:

- 5 Days/4 Nights of immersion in spectacular Napa Valley Wine Country
- Deluxe cottage accommodations at the wonderfully-unique Carneros Inn, which popularized the "barn chic" design concept
- Two private, customized VIP wine tasting tours, during which you will be hosted by the principals of exceptional boutique wineries
- A memorable, private wine country culinary lesson and dinner with a highly-skilled local chef who has trained with top French master chefs and applies her classic French training to the diverse Napa Valley bounty
- Tour and tasting of exceptional olive oils at Napa Valley's premier olive estate
- Wine blending seminar to include education on the 14 Napa Valley sub-appellations, barrel tastings and the opportunity to blend and take with you your very own meritage
- A customized dining program to expose you to the very best Napa Valley has to offer, from Michelin-star standouts to wine country picnics and wine cave dining, as well as some of the best casual dining in the entire country
- Optional activities that could include hot air ballooning followed by a champagne tasting, golf at the top private club in the region, wine country cycling in the Carneros appellation or a private, chef-led tour of the Oxbow Public Market followed by visits with local-area artisan food producers
- Attention to the minutest detail, a CORK & FORK hallmark

Day One: Arrival to San Francisco or Oakland International Airport. Avis SUV rental vehicle pick-up and self-drive 1 hr 15 min to Napa Valley and your accommodations. Included today is a 1.5 hour small group tour and tasting at Round Pond Estate, producer of some of the top artisanal oils in the U.S. You might like dinner tonight on property at Farm. Accommodations: The Carneros Inn, an altogether unique, stylish and fun inn located on the valley floor on the site of a former farm. The inn is located just minutes from the city of Napa, which continues to evolve into a noteworthy city featuring a growing number of fine shops and restaurants.

Day Two: A Day in Napa or Sonoma Wine Country: Handcrafted private wine tasting tour featuring a varietal focus of your choosing. Perhaps you'd like to explore boutique wineries that produce Napa Cabernet, Pinot from the Russian River or Zinfandel from Dry Creek Valley. Visits include private tours, typically hosted by a winery principal, as well as private tastings. Tours typically begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. We arrange for lunch either at a winery or wine country restaurant, but lunch is not included. Accommodations: The Carneros Inn.

Day Three: Day at leisure. We are happy to coordinate any optional activities that align with your passions or interests, such as spa services, hot air ballooning, shopping, golf, hiking, wine country cycling, etc. We've included a two-hour wine blending seminar at Conn Creek Winery. In the winery's AVA Room, you'll have a rare opportunity to learn about and barrel taste wines from throughout Napa Valley. The seminar includes education on the 14 sub-appellations in Napa Valley, barrel tastings, instruction on blending techniques and the opportunity to blend, bottle and cork your own bottle of meritage. You'll take your creation with you. In the late afternoon, we've organized a private cooking lesson, which will focus both on technique and wine country recipes featuring the very freshest, locally-sourced ingredients. Wine pairings are included. Accommodations: The Carneros Inn

Day Four: Cap off your visit to Napa with a private, customized Cabernet Collector's Tour. Clients find visits and in-depth conversation with some of Napa's leading wine personalities to be a highlight of their Napa experience. To close the day, you might enjoy a spa treatment or lounging by the inn's spectacular pool, which affords wonderful views of the area. Accommodations: The Carneros Inn

Day Five: Self-drive 1 hr 15 min to a San Francisco Bay Area airport for departure

What's included:

- Airport meet-and-greet upon arrival in San Francisco or Oakland
- Two customized, private guided wine tours. Each tour will feature a private driver/guide, private transportation and private visits and tastings, which are typically hosted by the principals of three boutique wineries. Driver/guide gratuities are included.
- Wine country culinary lesson and dinner with wine pairings at the home of a Napa Valley chef who has trained with French master chefs.
- Wine blending session including round-trip transportation from The Carneros Inn
- Small group tour and artisanal olive oil tasting at Round Pond Estate
- Standard SUV category rental vehicle with Avis for five days (GPS and loss damage waiver included)
- Coordination of optional activities (activities not included, but will be billed at cost)
- Customized dining program including bookings (cost of meals not included)
- Breakfast each morning at your hotel

Pricing Per Person (based on a group of 4, double occupancy): \$3,195

Substitute the four-star Westin Verasa in place of The Carneros Inn: \$2,295

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