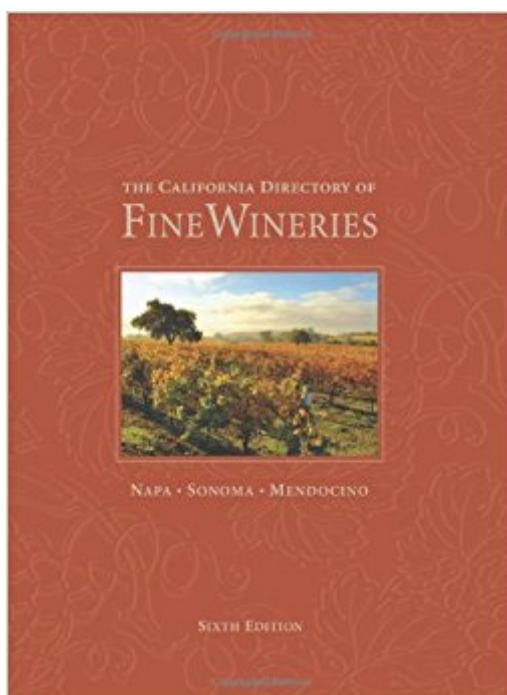


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# The California Directory Of Fine Wineries: Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino



## Synopsis

The essential guide to both glamorous estates and intimate, family-owned vineyards, *The California Directory of Fine Wineries* is an indispensable travel companion to the Golden State's world-renowned wine country. Scenic back roads meander past Napa's elegant tasting rooms, through Sonoma's premier wineries, and into laid-back Mendocino, where the winemakers themselves will pour visitors a glass of their specialty. Profiles cover 68 of Northern California's wineries, describing their striking architecture, bountiful gardens, and distinctive features, from 100-year-old wine caves and museum-quality art exhibitions to bocce ball courts and tastings of local olive oils and other gourmet foods. Also included are more than 200 color images, full-page maps, and sidebars listing directions, vineyard tours, wine tastings, special culinary events, and nearby attractions.

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a gorgeous volume... It's a wealth of information!"--Alan Farley, KALW, Public Radio 91.7 (San Francisco)

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Very nice coffee table book, good layout, pretty photos. I purchased this after a vacation to Napa/Sonoma and wine tasting in this region. I saw this book at one of the wineries and liked it, but did not end up purchasing it. Regretted that after the fact and searched for it on (where it was priced \$7.00 less than the winery). Great saving!!

I was so surprised that many major wineries were not even included in this book. Chateau Montelena, which was instrumental for the recognition of Napa Valley as an internationally recognized wine producing area by winning the Paris Wine Competition in 1976, was not included. This leave one to wonder if the wineries listed paid for the publication to be profiled in the book. The internet may be a better source of information.

We recently visited Napa and enjoyed the book that was in our room at the Westin Verasa Napa. It looked exactly like this book so we bought what we thought was the same book. Unfortunately, this book contains less information. It does a fine write-up of the wineries they decided to include, but since we saw a better more complete version this one is just OK to us.

A beautiful book with fantastic recommendations. We've gone wine tasting before but often ended up visiting tasting rooms with poor quality wines or styles not to our taste. This guide helped us choose vineyards that made our favorite wines. Easy to follow directions with detailed maps. Stunning photos of each winery. Great book at a low price.

Good choice of wineries and good stories about each winery. Like any review that states prices and times, they become obsolete quickly, so check tour specifics online if you plan to go to any of the locations in this fine book.

The photography in this book is phenomenal, but more importantly, the information is a great reference when planning a wine tasting trip to the Napa and Sonoma regions. With this guide the authors provided me with just what I needed to make the most of my experience.

A fun way to remember my Napa Valley trip. Our hotel had a copy of this book in the room. It provided a nice summary of some of the favorite California wineries. Gives information, details and pricing info about local wineries. Amazing photos help you remember the special trip.

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