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Photo Essay: Sonoma's Dry Creek Valley Wine Region

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Y'all, it's September, which can only mean one thing. No, I'm not talking about the start of yet another fantasy football season, though important in its own right. For our purposes today, I'm talking about harvest season, which is in full swing in California wine country, where I've been fortunate enough to travel to recently.

This summer saw me in one of my favorite wine country destinations, Sonoma's Dry Creek Valley wine region (hosted by the Winegrowers of Dry Creek Valley), twice. Dry Creek Valley's landscape is beautiful, its wine is delicious, its food equally delicious (and the quality you'd expect from a metro), and it has an off-the-beaten-path feel that you don't always find in California wine destinations. What else do you need from wine country?

As such, I wanted to share some of my favorite photos from my trip(s) this summer to Sonoma's Dry Creek Valley wine region. So without further ado, see my photos below from my time this summer in the Dry Creek Valley wine region of Sonoma.



Vineyard rows at Fritz Underground Winery.



Overlooking Fritz's vineyards and pond.



Yes, Fritz has a redwood grove.



The beautiful overlook theme continues in Dry Creek Valley at Armida Winery.



Only appropriate, bocce and Sauvignon Blanc at Martorana Family Winery.



Chocolate and wine tasting inside the cave at Bella Vineyards and Wine Caves. Best combo ever?



And of course, a wine and cheese pairing at Bella Vineyards and Wine Caves.



Working for my wine with a wine walk at Amista Vineyards.



Just beyond Dry Creek Valley, Lake Sonoma.



Because there's no sunset I'm not going to chase, this overlooking Lake Sonoma.



Lunch in Healdsburg at SHED Cafe.



One of my favorite views overlooking the Dry Creek Valley at Zichichi Winery.



And quite possibly the most charming winery I've visited, Mill Creek Vineyards and Winery. Yes, that's a watermill and pond attached to the winery.



Best vintage winery vehicles in history? A panoramic of Lambert Bridge Winery.

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