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## 20 Sonoma Wineries to Visit Right Now

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Pair fun in the sun with wine country views. Click through the gallery for Sonoma wineries that add an extra bit of magic to the mix. (Photo courtesy of Sbragia Family Vineyards)



#### Bella Vineyards & Wine Caves, Healdsburg

Bella's winemaking team is focused on crafting small-lot wines, with an emphasis on Zinfandel. Groups of eight or less are welcome without a reservation for a relaxed tasting in the hillside cave (\$15) or for a cave tour and tasting by appointment (\$35) or a vineyard tour and barrel-blending experience (\$55). Be sure to bring a picnic and enjoy the lovely grounds during your visit. *9711 W. Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg, 707-473-9171.* (Photo by Christopher Chung)



#### Comstock Wines, Healdsburg

Winemaker Chris Russi crafts a range of varietal wines with an emphasis on regional character. Visit for a classic tasting (no appointment necessary) at the expansive bar, or on the terrace by appointment (\$15-\$30). There are also cheese pairings, Sunday brunches and "wine, pizza and bocce" on the second Saturday of each month through October (reservations required). Prices vary by experience. *1290 Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg, 707-723-3011.* (Photo by John Burgess)



#### Kokomo Winery, Healdsburg

Kokomo, a producer of small-production, terroir-driven wines offers three tasting experiences: a casual tasting by the bar (\$10); a wine and cheese pairing in the Barrel Room (\$25) and a reserve wine and cheese tasting in the Cypress Room, exclusive for wine club members (\$25). If alfresco dining is your thing, check out Birds and Bubbles Aug. 18, with lunch in the vineyard featuring fried chicken from Backyard restaurant and sparkling wine (\$75). 4791 Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg, 707-433-0200. (Photo by Alvin Jornada)



Seghesio Family Vineyards, Healdsburg

Visitors to Seghesio are welcome at the historic winery for a heritage tasting (\$15, reservations required for groups of more than six) featuring wines only available at the tasting room, a seated “founders flight” (\$35 by reservation) or a tour and chef’s table wine and food pairing (\$80). *700 Grove St., Healdsburg, 707-433-3579.* (Photo by Kent Porter)

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