

# DISCOVER CALIFORNIA WINES

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### **GOLDEN STATE**

You might say Californians are serious about wine and relaxed about everything else. Well, maybe not everything else: from a thriving technology industry to revolutionary green farming practices, we work hard and innovate constantly. But when you're surrounded by natural wonder and abundant sunshine, it's pretty easy to smile. Of course, a glass of California wine always helps.



### 85%

OF THE WINE MADE IN THE UNITED STATES COMES FROM CALIFORNIA.

#### CALIFORNIA WINEGROWING REGIONS

- FAR NORTH
- NORTH COAST
- CENTRAL COAST
- INLAND VALLEYS
- SIERRA FOOTHILLS
- SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### NORTH COAST

NAPA VALLEY california classic

SONOMA COUNTY casual elegance

MENDOCINO COUNTY quiet majesty

LAKE COUNTY lakeside vines

LOS CARNEROS where napa and sonoma meet

#### **CENTRAL COAST**

MONTEREY COUNTY pebbles and pines

SAN LUIS OBISPO/ PASO ROBLES gateway to the south

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY the american riviera

LIVERMORE VALLEY heritage meets new generation

SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS vistas and vineyards

SAN FRANCISCO BAY famous fog



#### **INLAND VALLEYS**

LODI AND THE DELTA zinfandel country

SACRAMENTO VALLEY golden state capital

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY *fertile fields* 

MADERA COUNTY delicious elixirs

#### **SIERRA FOOTHILLS**

AMADOR COUNTY gold country

EL DORADO COUNTY wild west towns

CALAVERAS COUNTY mark twain's muse

NEVADA COUNTY gateway to lake tahoe

#### SOUTHERN California

SAN DIEGO COUNTY first vines

TEMECULA VALLEY blue skies and sunshine

CUCAMONGA VALLEY concentrated character



### REDS

CABERNET SAUVIGNON firm, focused and elegant

ZINFANDEL our racy, rambunctious signature grape

PINOT NOIR subtle and intriguing

MERLOT luscious and approachable

RED BLENDS expressive, harmonious and distinctly Californian

### WHITES

CHARDONNAY a full spectrum of flavors

SAUVIGNON BLANC zesty and crisp

PINOT GRIS bright and refreshing

VIOGNIER fruit-forward and floral

ROSÉ fresh, bright berries

SPARKLING lively and sophisticated

DESSERT WINES deep elixirs

### **MEET THE GRAPES**

California's wonderful year-round weather is as good for our wine as it is for our visitors. Abundant sunshine mixed with cool coastal breezes and fog ensures a long grape growing season. The diversity of our terroir supports more than 100 grape varieties across the state, giving our winemakers the latitude to create complex varietals and unique, expressive blends.

#### TRY THIS

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{CABERNET SAUVIGNON}\\ with grilled \ baby \ back \ ribs \end{array}$ 

CHARDONNAY with grilled chicken salad

PINOR NOIR with pan seared salmon

> ZINFANDEL with pork tacos

# SAVOR CALIFORNIA FLAVOR

When it comes to food, we've got a wide variety on our plates. California cuisine is as diverse and delicious as our wine, the result of a vast array of fresh ingredients, cultural influences and imaginative chefs. Our artisan cheeses give wine lovers something else to savor. Next time you open a bottle of California wine, pair it with some of our goat cheese, triple crème or blue.

Find more pairings and recipes in the Wine & Food section of our website at **discovercaliforniawines.com/meet-the-grapes/wine-and-food** 

#### CALIFORNIA CERTIFIED SUSTAINABLE WINERY STATUS HAS BEEN EARNED BY WINERIES PRODUCING 75% OF CALIFORNIA WINE.

## **GREEN FOR GOOD**

California winemakers and growers feel a fierce responsibility to the land. Wineries representing 75% of production (203 million cases) and vineyards farming 192,049 acres (77,720 HA) are certified to California Sustainable Winegrowing and other certification programs in the state. A new California Certified Sustainable logo will appear on bottles starting with the 2017 vintage.

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