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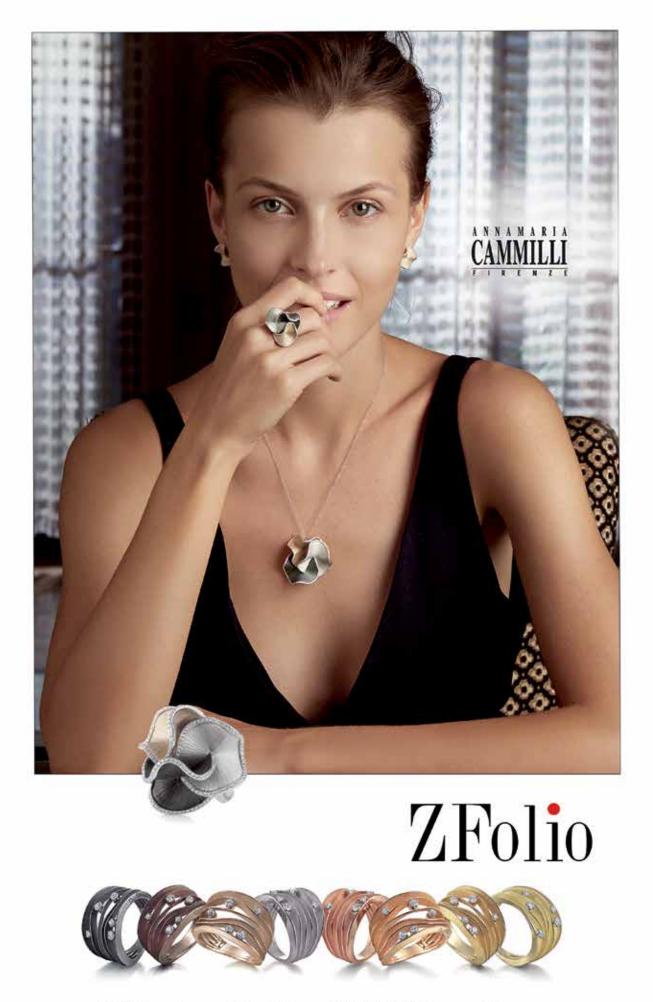
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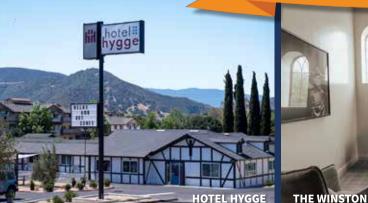
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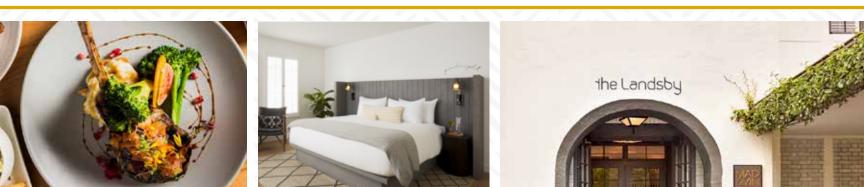
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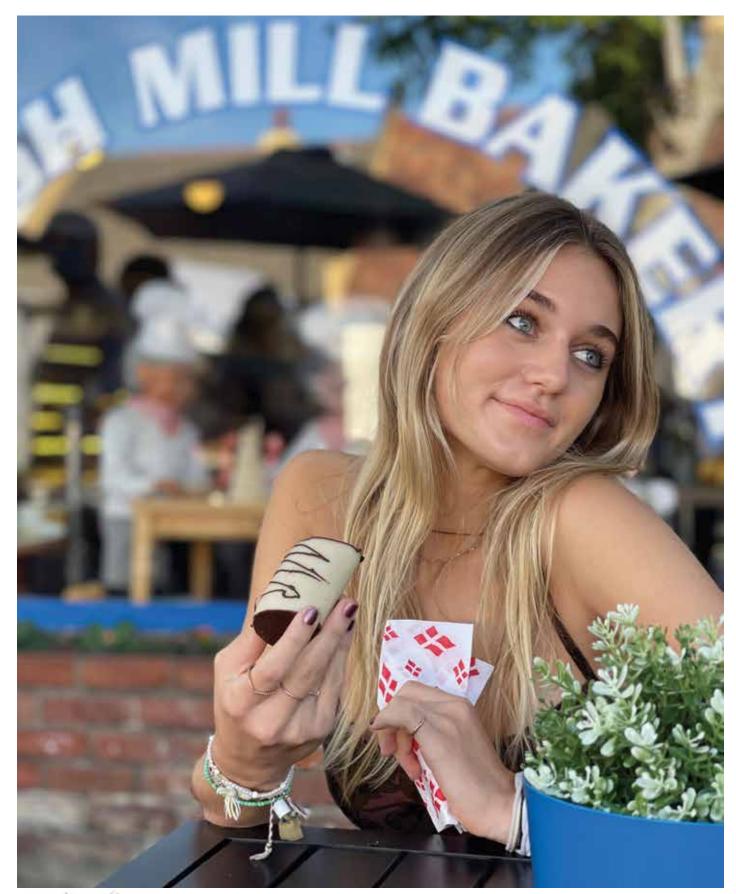


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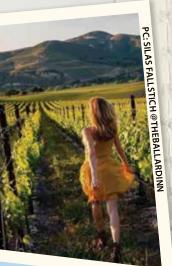
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TWO HOORS north of Los Angeles, and a scenic fourhour drive south of San Francisco, the Santa Ynez Valley is home to six distinct communities in California's Central Coast region. With more than 100 wineries, incredible food, special events and an authentic, relaxed vibe, it's no wonder so many friends, families and couples converge here to sip, savor, and soak up all the valley has to offer. With so much to do, planning the perfect itinerary can be overwhelming. We've taken out the guess work to provide you with a Top 10 list of things you must do to treat yourself to an unforgettable experience in the Santa Ynez Valley.

1. WINE COUNTRY

The Santa Ynez Valley is famous for its wineries. With a unique, transverse mountain range that funnels cool air from the Pacific Ocean, our micro-climates and terrains result in one of the most diverse grape growing regions in the world. Take a day to explore the wineries and see the vineyards firsthand.

2. TAKE A SELFIE IN SOLVANG

No trip to the Santa Ynez Valley is complete without a visit to Solvang. This quaint little village is famous for its Danish bakeries and architecture and filled with photo-ops. Perfect the art of the selfie in front of the little red clog or one of the town's many windmills.

3. CULINARY CRAVINGS

There are so many great places to dine in the Santa Ynez Valley it can be hard to choose! Italian food aficionados will be



pleased to find a handful eateries serving of favorites. Italian up. Lovers of traditional American cuisine are well catered for with top-notch sandwiches and classic American steaks. If you're looking for something with an eclectic vibe, the town of Los Alamos boasts innovative flavors, while the towns of Ballard and Los Olivos continue to offer romantic, candle-lit fine dining options.

4. IMMERSE YOURSELF IN LOCAL CULTURE

Drop in and visit one the Valley's museums. Discover local history and lore at the Elverhøj Museum of History and Art and The Santa Ynez Valley Historical Museum, or pop into Wildling Museum to appreciate works of art that draw inspiration from nature. If you're looking for something a little more niche, find vintage and rare motorcycles at the

Solvang Vintage Motorcycle Museum, be dazzled by fairy tales at the Hans Christian Anderson Museum, or feast your eyes on one of the west coast's largest petroliana collections at the Mendenhall Museum.

5. TAKE IN A LOCAL EVENT

From food-driven to family friendly, the Santa Ynez Valley hosts a number of events to bring everyone together. Regular events include painting in the vineyard at various wineries, kid crafts at local museums, and live music in the evenings on heated patios. Visit from September through December for some special events that celebrate each town's unique history.

6. CRAFT BEER

If you can drag yourself away from the wineries, why not sample some of the superb local craft beers? From sours to stouts, three major breweries in the area offer award-winning



brews sure to please a wide spectrum of beer connoisseurs.

7. HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Seeking something different from your hotel stay? Santa Ynez Valley hotels offer a more intimate and distinctly local experience. Most hotels here could be better described as inns, some of which have a unique Danish feel, some provide rich luxury, while some even provide a safari glamping experience. With over 30 unique lodging properties,

the Valley has a price and style fit for everyone.

8. ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Need some fresh air? There's no better way to clear your mind and relax than getting out and enjoying some of the local countryside. Figueroa Mountain is a great place to unwind and enjoy a picnic in the glorious California sunshine. Or if you're feeling energetic, take a stroll through the adjacent Sedgwick Reserve by appointment, where volunteer staff guides you through the local terrain. If a family picnic is what you have in mind, head over to Nojoqui Falls Park down Alisal Road.

9. FIND ARTISAN TREASURES

With specialty shops located in almost every town, you're bound to discover a hidden treasure. Shops in the Santa Ynez Valley stock a range of local artisanal products like jewelry, glassware, handcrafted shoes, leather goods, porcelain, clothing and a range of traditional and contemporary crafts.

10. RELAX AND SAY SPAAA

Why not treat yourself to a visit to one of the Santa Ynez Valley's spa and wellness centers? Indulge in a range of wellness services, including aromatherapy, Swedish massage and hot stone therapy. The best way to enjoy one of these treatments is to book a stay at one of the area inns that offer accommodation packages which include spa services.

Now that you know what delights await you in the Santa Ynez Valley, you'll probably need more than a weekend to take it all in! With our doors always open, you can return time and time again. The Valley will always be that special place to you and yours for years to come.

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EACH OF THE SIX THRIVING TOWNS THAT ARE CONSIDERED PART OF THE VALLEY, LOS OLIVOS, BALLARD, SANTA YNEZ, SOLVANG, BUELLTON AND LOS ALAMOS, ARE WITHIN A SHORT DRIVE OF EACH OTHER, AND EACH HAS ITS OWN UNIQUE CHARACTER THAT KEEPS VISITORS COMING BACK.

SANTA YNEZ: (PAGE 24) From a distance the township of Santa Ynez looks like an Old West stage set, but once you arrive, the town's authentic character reveals itself. You'll find a boot-stompin' bar featuring live music on the weekends, as well as farm-to-table restaurants serving upscale Mexican, traditional Italian, and contemporary American wine-country cuisine. And with several low-key hotels and inns, it makes a great base camp for daily strikes all over the valley.

BUELLTON: (PAGE 30) A couple of miles west of Solvang, unexpected surprises await in Buellton. On Industrial Way, you can visit urban tasting rooms, craft distillers, a flagship brewery and fan-favorite restaurant within a Frisbee throw of each other. Dining options in Buellton are plentiful and offer up everything from steaks cooked to perfection on an oak fire pit, to restaurants focusing on locavore inspired dishes, and exceptional wood-fired pizza.

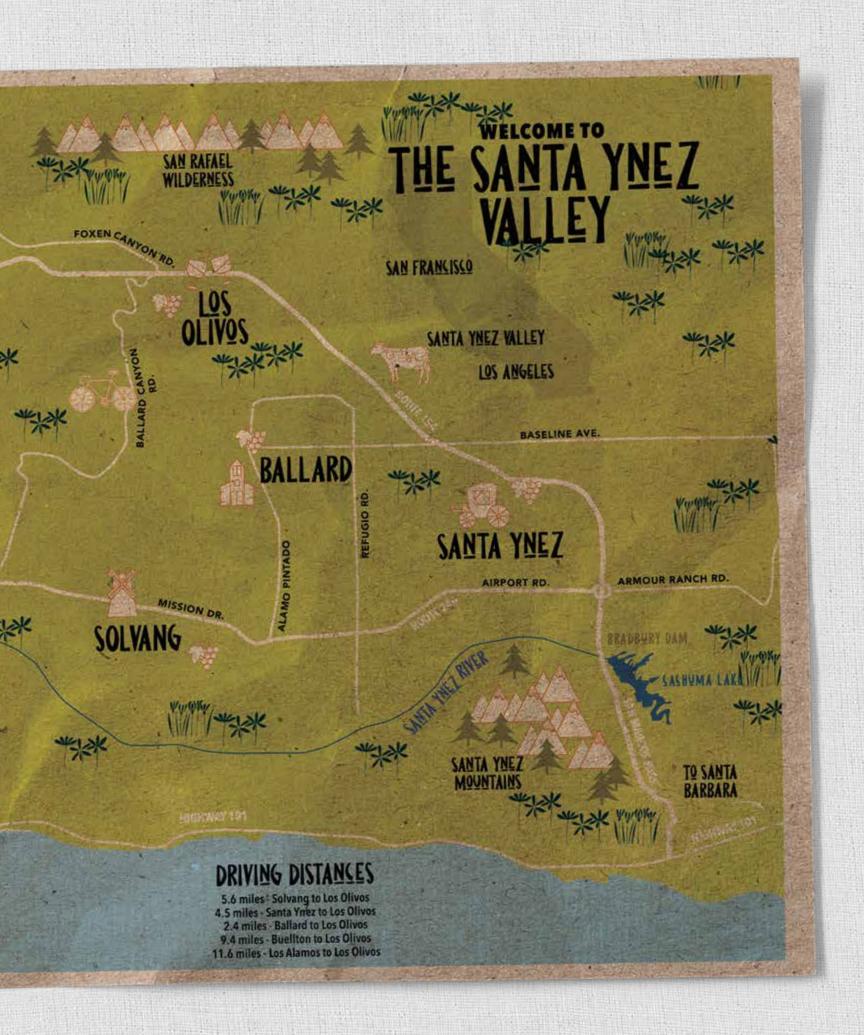
SOLVANG: (PAGE 36) This town is the world-famous "Little Denmark" founded in 1911 by a group of Danish immigrants looking for a suitable place to build a school for their children. Danish names handed down from early settlers are still prevalent, as are Danish festivals, half-timbered buildings, decorative windmills, Danish sausages and pastries and the ever-popular and delightfully diet-busting sweet treat aebleskiver.

BALLARD: (PAGE 54) The tiny burg of Ballard, situated midway between Los Olivos and Santa Ynez, began life as a stagecoach stop and has since become a highly prized bedroom community. The appealing setting of The Ballard Inn, make Ballard the perfect place to disappear for a couple of days while still having easy access to any valley attraction. Don't miss a visit to the Little Red School House. Built in 1882, it still operates today at its picturesque location on the end of a big field of grass.

LOS OLIVOS: (PAGE 56) With more than thirty tasting rooms on its one main commercial street and some excellent restaurants, charming Los Olivos is the central hub of the valley wine industry. Here, you can spend a day tasting and lounging between visits to the many boutiques, antique stores and art galleries that span Grand Avenue and spill over onto the side streets. The town is the perfect mix of styles ranging from country chic to urban-influenced

LOS ALAMOS: (PAGE 62) The most northerly stop is Los Alamos, which is technically separated from the SYV proper by the Santa Rita Hills. However, this gastro center is attracting foodies from far and wide and cool businesses selling sophisticated goods are sprinkled along the 200 yard-long commercial strip. The nickname "Little L.A." plays on Los Alamos' own initials and on the stream of successful Los Angeles refugees who in recent years have set off a culinary explosion, establishing excellent, quirky restaurants, wine tasting rooms, a bakery, a tap room and more.





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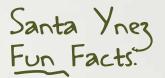




The Western-style false-front building facades, feed stores and horses hitched to posts in the vintage township of **Santa Ynez** sometimes blur the timeline between **1881** and **2023**. However, this sophisticated cowboy town boasts plenty of conveniences for modern-day trail riders. The streets, adorned with **horse shoe-embedded crosswalks**, are lined with various clothing boutiques, home decor stores, galleries, restaurants and an original California honky-tonk saloon. If you have an appetite this is the place to be. The dining options range from classic burgers, steaks, pancakes and waffles to seafood, regional Italian fare, Latin fusion and locavore cuisine.

For a dose of old west heritage head to the Santa Ynez Valley Historical Society Museum and Parks-Janeway Carriage House. And if you are in the mood for a low-key Las Vegas experience **The Chumash Casino Resort**, just adjacent to the township, offers 24/7 gaming, live entertainment, dining and luxurious accommodations. Cyclists from around the globe gravitate to Santa Ynez for a world-class training center, tours or just the chance to ride a bike along quiet country roads. There's plenty to see, do and eat in the town that gave the Valley its name.





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Offering fresh, modern Italian dishes in any of the three rooms of their Italian-inspired farmhouse. 1110 Faraday St. 805.691.9794, sykitchen.com

SUNSTONE VINEYARDS AND WINERY

Enjoy a glass of wine in their lavender and rosemaryfilled courtyard, stone barrel-aging caves or lunch at one of the picnic tables. 125 Refugio Road, 805.688.9463, sunstonewinery.com

TRATTORIA GRAPPOLO

The right combination of great food, a family-style atmosphere, impeccable service and creative and authentic Italian dishes served with gusto. 3687 Sagunto St., 805.688.6899, trattoriagrappolo.com

THE VICTOR

Spearheaded by Executive Chef, Beto Huizar, The Victor's offerings focus on live fire (smoked, roasted and grilled meats) and seafood prepared with fresh, seasonal ingredients from California's central coast. Cozy up to the elegant bar for wine, beer or a classic cocktail. 3631 Sagunto Street, 805.695.2999

MORE TO SEE - SHOP - DO

CHARLOTTE'S SANTA YNEZ

Owner/curator Charlotte Becerra's boutique is a wellorganized treasure chest of vintage Native American jewelry, art, hats, other western treasures, with the back wall devoted to Western tack. 3551 Sagunto Street, 805.688.0016, charlottessy.com

CHUMASH CASINO

A 190,000 sq. ft. complex featuring a 21-and-older, 24 hour gaming floor, live entertainment, award-winning fine dining, with a AAA Four Diamond-rated Hotel and Spa. 3400 East Highway 246, 800.248.6274, chumashcasino.com

DEVINE SUPPLY

Shop this lifestyle boutique for an elevated blend of sophisticated ranch meets modern bohemian, including women's and men's clothing, accessories, jewelry and home decor items. 1050 Edison Street, 805.691.9173, devinsesupply.com

GLOBAL GARDENS

Shop owner Theo Stephan's artisanal, organic olive oil, balsamic fruit vinegars, spice blends, olives, gourmet food items and beauty products made with her own olive oil at the Tastings & Provisions Shop. Tastings are available and appointments required for parties of five or more. 3570 Madera Street, 805.686.4111, globalgardensonline.com

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Celebrates the rich history of the Valley, its pioneering settlers and the five early townships of the region, through its collection and exhibits. 3596 Sagunto Street, 805.688.7889, santaynezmuseum.org



THOSE WHO SAY DIAMONDS are a girl's best friend have clearly never been to Charlotte's of Santa Ynez, where the stones may be semi-precious, but the extraordinary collection of vintage turquoise and silver pieces for both women and men is wholly magnificent. In her light-infused showroom, proprietress Charlotte Becerra has curated a veritable retail mine of highly collectible indigenous, artisan-made silver and turquoise rings, earrings, necklaces and belt buckles along with a tight edit of hats, antique rugs, pottery and sophisticated Western art. Frequent trips to Texas and

impromptu stops along the Old Route 66 keep the inventory fresh as Charlotte heeds the call from other collectors and colleagues who provide tips and intel about recently discovered troves of turquoise treasures.

The shop's client base encompasses not only loyal locals low-key, A-list "industrytypes," and first and indeed not last-time visitors but also accomplished equestrians and cowboys. Thanks to Charlotte's bona fide

vaquero husband, **Ramon Becerra**, the entire back wall of the shop is dedicated to high-quality new and vintage horse tack—headstalls, reins, bits, chaps and other gorgeous goods—that'll put a giddy-up in your step. We recently popped into the showroom to adorn ourselves and chat with

Charlotte, and here's what she had to say about the origin story of the shop, the best part about owning a Valley business and more.

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF AND THE INSPIRATION BEHIND CHARLOTTE'S OF SANTA YNEZ.

My husband, Ramon Becerra, had a saddle shop called Santa Ynez Saddlery for five years, which quickly became the largest saddle shop in California. As the shop grew, it became too big for us to manage, so I took the best things out of it and opened my boutique. That is why my shop is a combination of silver bits, romal reins, spurs and other equestrian accouterments, as well as vintage sterling silver jewelry, primarily from the U.S. but also Mexico, Italy and other countries well-known for their jewelry.

HOW DO YOU CURATE THE SHOWROOM AND ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR WHAT MAKES IT TO THE STORE FLOOR?

My criteria are very simple: I'll buy it for my boutique if it's shiny and good quality. When I was young, my mother had a chain of houseware stores, and when I opened a "toy corner" in two of her shops at age 12, she told me that it was my job to deliver a good quality product at a fair price to my customers. I have never forgotten that.

WHAT ARE YOU CURRENTLY COVETING FROM THE SHOWROOM?

Oh goodness, there are so many great pieces, and each is unique! Right now, I have some great Navajo cuff bracelets from the 1940s that are amazing but too big for my wrists, so they stay in the boutique.

COULD YOU DESCRIBE THE MOST UNIQUE TREASURE CURRENTLY IN THE STORE?

That's a tough question to answer because 99% of what I have in my store is handmade, so each piece is unique.

WHAT IS THE BEST PART OF OWNING A LOCAL BUSINESS IN THE SYV?

The people. We are the "local's town" of the Santa Ynez Valley, so we know our customer base well; they are our neighbors and friends, our kids go to school together, etc. This Valley is full of wonderful people, and it's a joy to go to work each day and have them pop into the boutique. As my husband says, "If there is a heaven, Santa Ynez is the gateway."

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: assortment of artisan-made cuffs; owner, Charlotte Becerra; felt hat with vintage hatband and silver toothpick; antique Navajo rug detail; Navajo squash blossom necklace; belt buckles, conchos and small accessories; wall of western tack.





Once upon a time and by design, **Buellton** was known as the place you'd be happy to stop, stretch your legs, refuel and hit the road again. These days, refueling takes on a whole new meaning as this thriving community, now celebrated for its cuisine and libation scene, satisfies a full range of tastes. Sample exceptional wines, award-winning craft brews and experience a refreshing variety of cuisine prepared with the freshest local bounty.

Buellton is a short drive along the coast just north of Santa Barbara on Highway 101. It's nestled at the base of the **Sta. Rita Hills AVA** and enjoys year-round sunny days cooled by afternoon ocean breezes. This prestigious AVA is known for consistently producing world-class **Pinot Noir**, **Chardonnay** and **Syrah** grapes.

Accommodations abound here as visitors can "glamp" at the local RV resort, relax at a hip boutique hotel and indulge in top-notch services and amenities. There are plenty of places to stay and lots of ways to play in Buellton. Take a stroll through the **Santa Ynez Valley Botanic Garden** and learn about the area's native plants or visit one of the West Coast's largest petroliana collections. The more you explore, the more you'll discover about this "under the radar" unassuming city. Where else can you feed an ostrich, play a round of golf and visit a distillery all in one day?

ENDLY VIBES, GREAT EATS & ADVENTURE



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Buellton Fun Facts:

- ★Academy-Awardwinning film Sideways was filmed in various locations around the city
- Considered the "gateway" to the Santa Ynez Valley, feeding traffic north and south, east and west

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BRICK BARN WINE ESTATE

This former Arabian horse ranch turned wine estate, where winemaker Adrian Bolshoi crafts acclaimed red and white varietals, is also known for their elegant tasting room and warm hospitality. 795 West Highway 246, 805.686.1208, brickbarnwineestate.com

BUSCADOR WINERY

The winery and tasting room occupy the same space in an industrial warehouse where you can touch the barrels and taste the future. The focus is on bold Bordeaux varietals Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Petit Verdoh along with silky smooth Rhone varietals. 140 Industrial Way, 805.242.5206, buscadorwine.com

DORWOOD DISTILLERY

A grain to bottle distillery where each small batch is handcrafted, on-site. Tour the facility and try vodka, made from Santa Barbara County wine, Limoncello or White Hawk Mesquite Smoked Malt Whiskey. 201 Industrial Way, #D, 805.691.9259, dorwood-distillery.com

FIGUEROA MOUNTAIN BREWING COMPANY

Buellton is where FMBC got its start and with locations throughout the Central Coast, FMBC continues to attract a wide-ranging clientele for its great beer and energetic ambience. 45 Industrial Way, 805.694.2252, figmtnbrew.com

FIRESTONE WALKER TAPROOM & BARRELWORKS

Enjoy brew house bistro cooking and award-winning Firestone Walker beers. The Barrelworks tasting room features beers from the wild ale program and one-off selections from Firestone's single and small batch barrel-aging spirits program. 620 McMurray Road, 805.697.4777, firestonebeer.com

FOLDED HILLS

This estate vineyard, farmstead, and ranch produces award-winning boutique wines and invites guests to taste, shop, and relax in the vineyard homestead living room or comfortable outdoor courtyard. 2323 Old Coast Highway, 805.694.8086, foldedhills.com

HITCHING POST II

Established in 1986 and prominently featured in the Academy Award

winning film *Sideways*, this iconic eatery serves outstanding steaks, ribs, and seafood grilled over an open fire of red oak, along with what the *LA Times* called the "best" french fries in Southern Cal. Make a perfect pairing with a Hartley-Ostini Hitching Post wine, made exclusively for the restaurant. 406 East Highway 246, 805.688.0676, hitchingpost2.com

GIORGIO'S AT PARKWAY

With an unusual location inside of a market, Giogio's serves up the flavors and freshness that keep customers coming back for first-rate pizzas, salads, pasta dishes, sandwiches, cioppino and delicious desserts. 265 Avenue of Flags, 805.693.2509, giorgiosatparkway.com

HITCHING POST WINES

Sample vintages from renowned winemakers, Frank and Jami Ostini and Gray and Charlotte Hartley, in their mid-century farmhouse tasting room, located next door to the famed Hitching Post 2 restaurant. Order lunch from the Hitching Post 2's take-out menu and enjoy in the tasting room or picnic on the grounds. 420 East Highway 246, 805.688.0676, hpwines.com

KEN BROWN WINES

Ken Brown Wines is a small family winery focusing on Pinot Noir from Sta. Rita Hills and Santa Maria Valley, and produces very small lots from some of the region's most acclaimed vineyards. 157 West Highway 246, 805.688.9400, kenbrownwines.com

MARGERUM WINE COMPANY

Sample wines from food and wine industry pioneer Doug Margerum. The company makes limited quantities of wines from grapes grown on their estate vineyard and from grapes purchased from other top vineyards in and around Santa Barbara County. Open on Saturday & Sunday only. 59 Industrial Way, 805.686.8500, margerumwines.com

MORRELL'S FARM FRESH DINING

You'll find fresh fare for breakfast, lunch, and dinner at this delightful farmto-table restaurant. Dine in or take out and choose from a menu of soups, salads, sandwiches, and tasty sides, along with a selection of beer and wine. 225 McMurray Rd. Unit E, 805.691.9890

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> **FINISHING STRONG:** Desserts get the same "done right" treatment, like the dark, **decadent chocolate mousse with macerated fresh berries** and Cointreau or the skillet-baked chocolate chip cookie à la mode.

THURSDAY NIGHT FLIGHTS: Tasting flights here stimulate spirited debates over the nuances distinguishing, say, **nine- and twelve-year-old bourbons**, bourbon versus rye, or the merits of fine tequilas, mezcals and other spirits.

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NEW TRADITIONS: The Tavern offers approachable, of-the-moment dishes ranging from the archetypical Tavern burger to a shared plate of **high-altitude New Zealand lamb** "lollipops" served with olivada, roasted tomatoes and pistachiocrusted goat cheese.

ENTER THE ENTRÉES: The focus is on **great ingredients prepared right**, like the panroasted duck breast with horseradish russet mashed potatoes or the New York with brandy-peppercorn sauce and flat-cut fries.

CAVIAR UNDER THE OAKS:

Inspired by New York's Russian Tea Room, the full caviar service features **ten ounces of fine northern-Italian sturgeon caviar** with all the traditional garnishes. Or, try the happy hour staple caviar dip & fries, and experience for yourself this refreshing approach to fine dining.





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PENCE VINEYARD & WINERY

This small vineyard and winery is located within a 200acre working ranch and produces estate grown Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Private tours and current release tastings are available by appointment only. 1909 West Highway 246, 805.735.7000, penceranch.com

SECTION WINES

A wine cooperative, featuring Tuscan-born winemaker Marco Lucchesi's Rhone, Bordeaux, and Tuscan blends, made from bio-dynamically, sustainably farmed fruits of the Santa Barbara County AVAs. 65 Los Padres Way, 805.729.2911, sectionwines.com

SIDEWAYS LOUNGE

The Sideways Inn on-site lounge is the perfect place to relax and enjoy innovative cocktails, local microbrews, fine wines, a daily happy hour and weekly specials. 114 East Highway 246, 805.688.8448, highwaywestvacations.com

STANDING SUN WINES

This unique concept melds music, wine and art together. It's an industrial winery, tasting room, modern art gallery and live music venue for bands touring across the country. 92 Second Street # D, 805.691.9413, standingsunwines.com

THE TAVERN AT ZACA CREEK

Enjoy an ever-changing menu featuring wagyu steaks, handmade pastas, locally-caught seafood and fresh organic produce, along with spirits and cocktails highlighting the best of the original Tavern bar—soughtafter bourbons and ryes, the most region-centric agave flavors of tequila and mezcal and a selection of the most elegant vodkas. 1297 Jonata Park Road, 805.688.2412, zaca-creek.com

TOMI CELLARS

Taste hand-crafted wines—Rosé of Grenache Gris, Rosé of Pinot Noir and more—made with grapes sourced from outstanding vineyards on the Central Coast of California at their quaint (shared with Imagine Wines) tasting room with indoor and outdoor seating. 140 Industrial Way D2, 818.515.5422, tomicellars.com

MORE TO SEE - SHOP - DO

COMMUNITY CLAYWORKS

Memberships, courses and classes are offered at this creative ceramics studio space. Book a clay party for the kiddos or craft a memorable private event for the grown-ups. 37 Industrial Way - Suite 111, 646.709.7861, communityclayworks.com

MENDENHALL MUSEUM

One of the West Coast's largest petroliana collections, including gasoline pumps, globes, road signs and more. This impressive collection includes race cars, racing memorabilia, license plates and other interesting antiques. 24 Zaca Street, 805.689.2402 (call ahead to book a tour), mendenhallmuseum.com

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY BOTANIC GARDENS

With more than 350 native plant and trees species, ADA accessible trails, an amphitheater, a family garden, willow maze and more, the Garden is an excellent destination for families, couples, dogs on leash and anyone seeking solitude in nature. Take a self-guided or docent-led tour (when scheduled in advance). Admission is free and it is open seven days a week from sunrise to sunset. 151 Sycamore Drive, 805.245.5603, santaynezvalleybotanicgarden.org

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY HORSEBACK RIDES

Select from a variety of affordable, high-quality horseback ride options, everything from River Trail Rides and Family Fun Rides to a magical Pony Encounter for the little ones, plus a petting zoo. Located at River View Park in Buellton. 151 Sycamore Drive, 805.693.4600, syvhorsebackrides.com



OSTRICH FIELD NOTES

Can reach speeds up to 45 mph

Are the only birds with only two toes on each foot

> Live as long as 45-50 years

> Lay eggs weighing 3-4 pounds

➤ Hold their wings out to help them balance when they run

> Native to Africa and found in savanna and desert regions

Swallow sand and pebbles that help grind up food in their gizzards

Ostrichland USA A NEXT-LEVEL ROADSIDE ATTRACTION

MANY UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES await visitors to the Santa Ynez Valley—world-class wine tastings, locavore feasts and shopping safaris, to name a few—but for something truly thrilling and utterly unique, a stop at **OstrichLand USA** is a must-do! Not only seeing but feeding ostriches at this 32acre working ranch, home to 100+ of the world's largest birds, should be at the top of every SYV itinerary. This one-of-akind encounter, with an admission price of \$7 per adult, \$3 for children under 12 and \$1 per bowl of feed, is a major bang for your buck.

Guests typically enter through the gift shop, which is well-curated with an assortment of unique ostrich-related goods - logo hats, feathered fans, ostrich jerky from Idaho, ostrich plush toys, curios, jewelry and tee shirts. Ostrich eggs (each equivalent of up to 24 chicken eggs) are available in the spring and summer and emu eggs in the winter and fall. A walk through the gift store leads to the gate where the

adventure begins. Grab a bowl of feed and head out to the main attraction—the big birds. And when we say big, we mean big, as in up to 9 feet tall and weighing up to nearly 300 pounds. Ostriches also have the largest eyes of any animal on land and arguably the most fabulous eyelashes. Okay, back to feeding them. When approaching the fence, get ready because these two-toed giants—the world's fastest birds—always have an appetite for frenetic fun! Make sure

to maintain a tight grip on the food bowl as the feeding frenzy begins. Although the initial interaction with these enormous creatures can seem a little intimidating, simply follow the guidelines and enjoy! For a slightly more subdued experience, meander down the path to meet the emus, the smaller and more docile "cousins" of the ostrich family. These bizarre birds are majestic, graceful, and comical, and the opportunity to interact with them is affordable, family-friendly fun. It's definitely worth a stop to see where these wild things roam!

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Be sure to browse the shop for ostrich-related gifts, goods and fresh eggs! Photo-ops abound! Share your encounter with #ostrichlandusa on the 'gram



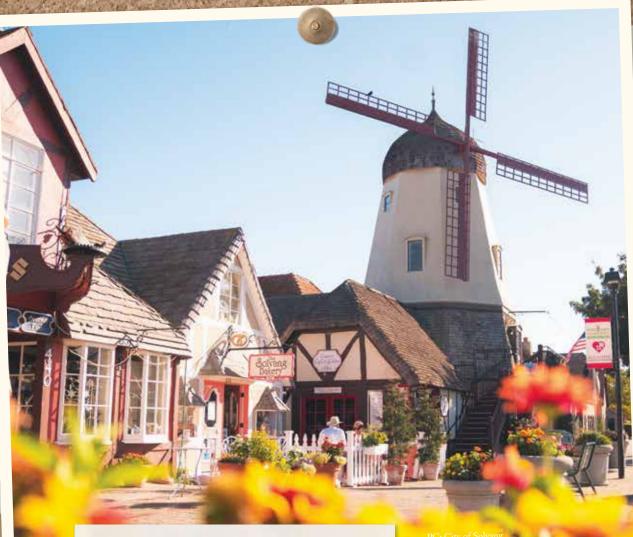
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For an authentic taste of Denmark-literally and figuratively—head to Solvang. This Danishinspired village, the largest of the Santa Ynez Valley towns, is known for its old-world European charm, hospitality and history. And, it also boasts a very au courant food, wine, craft beer, shopping and art gallery scene.

Solvang was founded in **1911** by three Danish-American educators searching for a place on California's central coast where land was plentiful and their culture could prosper. Situated on 9,000 acres of land adjacent to the historic 1804 Old Mission Santa Inés, settlers came and continued to carry on Denmark's traditions of language, folk dancing, music and cuisine. In January of 1947, the Saturday Evening Post proclaimed Solvang a "spotless Danish village that blooms like a rose in California's charming Santa Ynez Valley," and put Solvang on the map as the "Danish Capital of America." In the following years, Danish provincial style ruled new downtown construction, and existing structures were given "Danish make-overs" to reflect Denmark's farm-style architecture. Also, Solvang's streets were renamed to pay homage to famous Danes and locations in Denmark.



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Stroll Solvang's pedestrian-friendly village to explore the treasure trove of over 150 independently-owned boutiques, art galleries and antique centers that populate the tree-lined streets and quaint courtyards. Shops curated with everything from Scandinavian imports, local artisan goods to jewelry, clothing, fine art and more are all located within an easy five-block walk. The giant red clog at the corner of First Street and Copenhagen Drive is a popular photo op. Visit one of the town's four museums to get educated and enlightened on topics ranging from local history and art to vintage motorcycles and nature.

The Solvang culinary scene delivers a variety of palate-pleasing options—bakeries, restaurants and cafes, including authentic Danish and wine-country fare, along with international and traditional American options at a variety of price points. Dozens of wine and beer tasting rooms, wine bars and gourmet food shops showcase nearby vineyards and farm bounties.

Solvang public parks have free admission and are open daily from sunrise to sunset. Locals' fave Hans Christian Andersen Park features a "rad" skatepark. Discover a whimsical fort and playground at Sunny Fields Park. Rent bicycles or four-wheeled "surrey-cycles," to tour the town, or hop aboard the Solvang Trolley for a two-horse powered tour in a historic wooden streetcar. Nearby OstrichLand USA invites visitors to feed the world's largest and fastest birds.

Solvang is perfect for gatherings and meetings - from family reunions for seven to conferences, weddings and special events for 700. Dozens of lodging properties and one-of-kind venues offer banquet/meeting rooms and outdoor areas for getting together. Rates and facilities range from AAA 4-diamond-rated hotels and resorts to charming inns. Numerous area wineries, tasting rooms, restaurants and public parks also offer private, reserved areas providing even more options for groups.

When it's time to turn in for the night, book a room at one of the area's comfortable inns, cozy bed and breakfasts, luxury resorts or full-service hotels - each offering rates, amenities and seasonal or themed packages enticing visitors to stay, play and rejuvenate.

Now in its second century, Solvang's 6,000+ residents from many cultures continue to enjoy the same traditions the founders envisioned - welcoming friends, family and visitors from around the world to share the joys of "California's Denmark."

FESTIVALS + EVENTS

Time your visit to coincide with one of the many unique festivals celebrating Danish heritage and culture or the bounty of food, wine and hand-crafted beer from surrounding vineyards and farms.

Danish Days (Sept.) In 1936, the people in Solvang celebrated to commemorate the 26th anniversary of the town's founding. This popular three-day festival continues the tradition with artisans, folk dancing, three parades, æbleskiver breakfasts and free entertainment for the whole family.

Julefest (Dec.) California's "Little Denmark" sparkles with lights and festivities during this heart-warming annual festival, as Solvang Park in downtown Solvang is transformed into a winter wonderland. Enjoy the annual parade, Holiday Wine Walk, living Nativity Pageant and a host of other family-friendly activities.

For dates and more info about other Solvang and SYV festivals and events, check out our 2023 calendar on pages 84-85.









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BIRKHOLM'S BAKERY

Family owned & operated since 1951, using original Danish recipes for pastries, breads, cakes and cookies made from scratch plus lunch fare. Open daily at 7am. Casual indoor & outdoor seating. 460 Alisal Road, 805.688.8188, birkholmsbakery.com

BREKKIES

This is the perfect spot for a fun, family-orientated breakfast or brunch. Order up the classics or try Brekkies' spin on traditional American and Mexican dishes. Enjoy patio dining, a self-serve coffee bar, and beer, wine and mimosas. 1655 Mission Drive, 805.691.9749, brekkiessolvang.com

BUTTONWOOD FARM WINERY & VINEYARD Enjoy the bounty of the earth from the 39-acre vineyard and tasting room located on this 106-acre historic property also boasting olives, pomegranates, peonies, herbs, summer vegetables and very delectable peaches. 1500 Alamo Pintado, 805.688.3032, buttonwoodwinery.com

CAMPO DEL SOL

A sibling to down-the street Coast Range Restaurant, Campo Del Sol serves up both contemporary and traditional Mexican food with an emphasis on locally sourced, fresh, and artisanal ingredients. Margarita and cocktail options abound. 1557 Mission Drive, 805.702.3466 campodelsol.restaurant

CECCO RISTORANTE

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CLEAN SLATE WINE BAR

For a total tasting experience, head to Clean Slate, where delicious Spanish-style tapas and small plates are served and some of the best small production local wines are poured. The setting (an outdoor porch and cozy interior) is relaxed and the knowledgeable staff is warm and welcoming. 448 Atterdag Road, 805.302.1787, cleanslatewinebar.com

SOLVANG AMBER & VIKING MUSEUM

SOLVANG AMBER & VIKING MUSEUM tells the story of both Danish Amber from millions of years ago and the story of the Danish Vikings from 1,000-1,300 years ago. The Museum includes a unique collection of authentic 1000+ years old Viking weapons as well as other archaeological pieces of jewelry, Viking coins and tools. Arriving in the Spring of 2023, the permanent exhibit "Journey to Valhalla" will feature the animated Viking God Odin and legendary King Ragnar Lothbrok speaking to you from Valhalla. The answer to "Who was the European who discovered America?" will also be found in the Vinland exhibit telling the story of Leif Eriksson and his journey from Norway to Iceland, Greenland and finally to Vinland.



The Viking Ship "Snorri" will arrive in Solvang in the Spring of 2023. SOLVANG AMBER & VIKING MUSEUM has commissioned a Viking ship to be built at the Viking Ship Museum in Roskilde in Denmark. It will be an exact replica of a Norwegian Viking ship from 895 AD built utilizing the same tools and methods as the Vikings did. No electric tools or machinery will be used. It will be on display as part of the exhibit "Journey to Valhalla". Also, find out why the Viking ship is named Snorri!



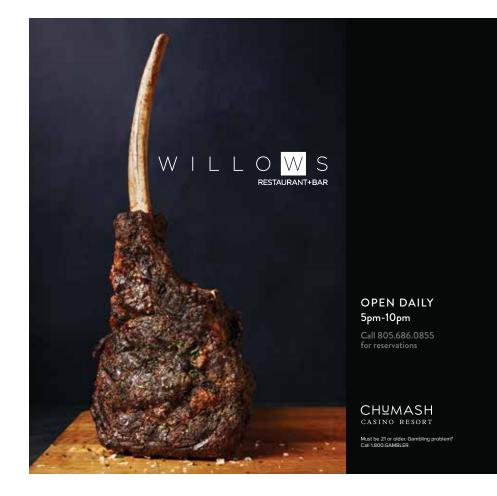
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COAST RANGE RESTAURANT

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COPENHAGEN SAUSAGE GARDEN

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CRAWFORD FAMILY WINES

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DANA V. WINES

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DANISH MILL BAKERY

For an authentic taste of Denmark head to Danish Mill Bakery. This Danish owned and family operated bakery has been baking traditional and contemporary Danish breads, pastries, cakes and cookies in Solvang since 1960. 1682 Copenhagen Drive, 805.688.5805, danishmillbakerysolvang.com

EL RANCHO MARKET

Full service grocery offering palate pleasing items including gourmet cheeses, fruits, veggies, meats, breads plus deli, coffee bar, juice & salad bar, sushi bar and catering services. 2886 Mission Dr., 805.688.4300, elranchomarket.com

FIRST AND OAK

Chef JJ Guerrero and Sommelier Jonathan Rosenson team up to create a restaurant dedicated to flavor and quality. A seasonal menu of small plates allows guests to create their own tasting menu. 409 First St., 805.688.1703, firstandoak.com

KAENA AT THE RANCH

Kaena Wines, known for serving up the Aloha in their Los Olivos tasting room, now has a second location between Solvang and Buellton. Taste 90 plus point wines, with more than 18 varietals to choose from including the Kaena Noir bordeaux in a large barn setting. 800 E. Hwy 246, 805.691.9555, kaenawine.com

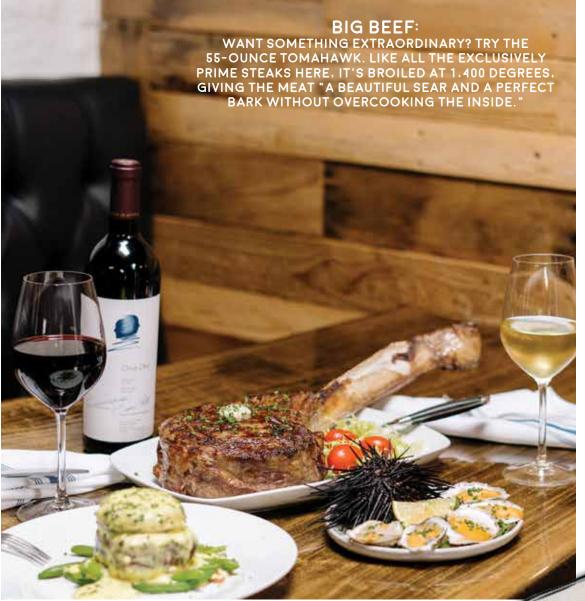
LEONARDO'S RISTORANTE & PIZZERIA

Leonardo Curti offers his unique variety of classic Italian dishes plus flavorful special recipes for lunch and dinner daily. Open kitchen, custom pizza oven and family-friendly atmosphere. 632 Alamo Pintado Rd., 805.686.0846, leonardoscucina.com

LION'S PEAK VINEYARD

Guests are treated to owner and winemaker, Jennifer Soni-Arant's quality, small lot, hand crafted boutique wines in a beautifully appointed "salon," replete with an impressive collection of current releases and Library Wines from the vineyard's highly acclaimed, estate grown vintages. 1659 Copenhagen Drive, Suite A, 805.693.5466, lionspeakwine.com

Sear Steakhouse



THE ICEBERG TREATMENT...EVERYWHERE: The bottom line, according to Nathan is, "We apply that ethos to everything. Grilling a steak perfectly requires attention to detail. You can't ever be complacent. We give each order the time it deserves to make each dish properly."

CLASSIC COCKTAILS, TOO: Take the spicy margarita. The giant ice cube is made from juiced and frozen peppers, cucumbers and cilantro — "like a frozen michelada," Nathan says. **Generous two-ounce pours** pay homage to the classic 1960s steakhouse bar.

SEAR STEAKHOUSE 478 4TH PLACE, SOLVANG 805.245.9564 • SEARSTEAKHOUSE.COM



PUT A STEAK IN IT: Sear is a casual, elegant, modern California steakhouse with a difference: chef and co-owner **Nathan Peitso** cuts all his steaks in-house. A longtime hunter, he says, "I look at each piece of meat individually to get the best out of it," an approach that, he says "is about respect for the animal."

RED-LETTER SEAFOOD:

Nathan scores and salts fresh local vermillion rockfish, cooks it in a deep fryer and serves it with a fermented chili garlic honey. **"You pull the meat right off; it's golden and crisp, and the bones stay there,"** he says. "People pick it clean."

NOT REINVENTED,

REIMAGINED: Nathan wants to "make steakhouse classics amazing." His treatment of the boring old wedge salad makes the point, combining "**supercold iceberg lettuce, really good apple-smoked bacon, Pt. Reyes blue cheese dressing and blue cheese crumbles, local cherry tomatoes and fresh pickled onions.**











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MCCLAIN CELLARS

The stylish, welcoming place is ideal for enjoying a little wine wisdom from friendly staff and sipping great vintages at the bar or in a comfy leather wing-back chair. Two patios invite lounging and people watching with couches and the longest (36 feet!) fireplace in Santa Barbara County. 1623 Mission Drive Suite B, Solvang, 805.719.3900, mcclaincellars.com

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PAULA'S PANCAKE HOUSE

Enjoy world famous Danish pancakes, Belgian waffles and American breakfast standards as well as lunch. 1531 Mission Drive, 805.688.2867, paulaspancakehouse.com

PEASANTS FEAST

Chef Michael Cherney keeps it real at Solvang's freshest culinary foodie find. Indulge in seasonal, madefrom-scratch food, sourced from local farmers and artisanal purveyors. 487 Atterdag Road, 805.686.4555, peasantsfeast.com

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HOME-BAKED PASTRIES: All of the pastries, including scones, croissants, muffins, a cake-style cranberry-orange loaf and other **goodies are baked in house**, for that homemade start to the day.

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THE MARKET DETERMINES THE MENU: Chef Melissa is from Louisiana, and her Cajunaccented cooking is so marketdriven that she has no regular menu, just a collection of enticing small plates inspired by the freshest ingredients. Come early, before it's all gone and she wipes the slate clean for tomorrow's menu.

SIP SOMETHING COMPLETELY NEW: Clean Slate pours fifty wines by the glass, including smallproduction wines available only on the Central Coast. "You never know what will be on our wine list," says Jason. "So, if you like it, buy a bottle to go, 'cause it may not be there tomorrow."



LIBATIONAL JUKE BOX: Jason keeps things interesting with local craft beers in small barrels, which ensures fresh beer and makes changing the taps easy. **There are a couple of new beers on draft each week, sometimes each day.**

NO-RUSH HANGOUT: With plenty of indoor seating and an outdoor patio, Clean Slate is a great place to spend an afternoon. **"We're not a traditional restaurant trying to turn tables,"** says Jason. "We want people to order some food, have some wine and hang out for a while."

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ELVERHOJ MUSEUM OF HISTORY & ART

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Danish Mill Bakery A SLICE OF REAL DANISH IN SOLVANG



ÆBELSKIVER, AHOY!: These little pancake-like spheres served with butter and jam are a Solvang staple. René found his recipe in a Danish cookbook from 1766. He tweaked the original with secret modern ingredients. (You could ask, but he won't tell.)

FOUNDER FIGURE: To honor founder Arvid Petersen. the bakery had a life-size animatronic model of him made in Denmark. It speaks, telling the classic immigrant's story of how he came to America.

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THE DANISH STANDARD: As owner **René Kærskov** says, "We aim to provide pastries that are on par with what you'd find in the best bakeries in Copenhagen."

CAKES (SOME WITH A

DRAM): All the classic Danish confectionary cakes are here, including some that are lightly spiked with Cruzan brand rum, made since the 1800s by a Danish family in the U.S. (formerly the **Danish**) Virgin Islands.

TRENDING: Danes today look for more variety and interesting ingredients, like a ready-tobake loaf of super-healthy, gluten-, dairy- and sugarfree Viking Bread, or maybe a Danish with housemade raspberry jam or a habanero chile, something you won't find in Denmark.

BIG-DEAL DANISH

CHOCOLATES: It's rare to win the "Throwdown! With Bobby Flay." Danish chocolatier **Fritz** Knipshchildt did. He also made the world's most expensive chocolate truffle. Pick up a few of his goodies here.



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SOLVANG'S LUXURY WINE TASTING ROOM

Enjoy the 36ft wall of fire and original art at this luxury modern wine tasting lounge offering **amazing reds, crisp whites, unique blends** and a unique variety of award-winning 90+ point wines. <u>Open daily at 11 am</u>. Live music every day with two open air patios. <u>Hot food, hors d'oeuvres, popcorn,</u> cheese, & charcuterie also available.



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1623 Mission Drive, #B, Solvang • 805.719.7576 • mcclaincellars.com

Cultural Heritage Attractions

Museums and historical attractions reflect the fascinating and rich background of the area.

Elverhoj Museum of History & Art

This Danish-style home, located two blocks from downtown, is filled with historic Solvang photographs, artifacts, Danish arts and crafts and period furnishings. See rotating traditional and contemporary art exhibitions, take craft classes and enjoy special events throughout the year.



1624 Elverhoy Way • 805.686.1211 elverhoj.org

Hans Christian Andersen Museum

Located upstairs in The Book Loft, this cozy place honors the multi-talented Danish father of the modern fairy tale.

1680 Mission Dr. • 805.688.2052 • bookloftsolvang.com

Old Mission Santa Inés

This national historic landmark, the 19th in the chain of 21 Catholic missions built along the coast of California, was founded in 1804. Discover exhibits featuring Spanish artifacts as well as arrowheads, pottery, mortars and pestles used by the area's native Chumash Indians - all of which weave a tapestry of history in this still-active parish

church and community center. 1760 Mission Drive • 805.688.4815 missionsantaines.org

Solvang Amber and Viking Museum at The Copenhagen House

The free Amber Museum showcases amber from around the world and Danish amber jewelry from the Stone Age, plus a six-foot-tall Danish Viking and historical displays inside The Copenhagen House. In this retail boutique traditional Danish Solvang meets contemporary Denmark.

1660 Copenhagen Dr. • 805.693.5000 thecopenhagenhouse.com

Solvang Festival Theater

This 700-seat outdoor amphitheater is owned and operated by the nonprofit Solvang Theaterfest and the summer home of PCPA, the only resident professional theater company on California's Central Coast. It serves as a venue for rock, country and jazz concerts and special events in the spring and fall, including a Halloween Haunted House. The 100-seat Patron Garden is ideal for private parties and small weddings. **420 2nd St.** • **805.686.1789** • solvangfestivaltheater.org

Solvang Vintage Motorcycle Museum



Classic and rare motorcycles and European race bikes including AJS, BMW, Ducati, Gilera, Matchless, Moto Guzzi, MV, Norton, Triumph, Velocette and Vincent are all on display at this exciting museum. Open 11 am - 5 pm Saturday and Sunday and midweek by appointment.

320 Alisal Road • 805.686.9522 • motosolvang.com

Wildling Museum of Art & Nature

This gallery, where art and nature meet, showcases paintings, photography, sculpture and other mediums, all focused on themes of wild places and wildlife. Enjoy art classes, nature walks, and a gift store. 1511 Mission Dr. • 805.688.1082 • wildlingmuseum.org SEAR STEAKHOUSE carniusre · pescatore · herbiusre

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WHO IT'S FOR: The Wine Country Days Passport is for everyone locals and visitors, wine novices and experts—anyone with a sense of adventure who wants to see more of what makes the Santa Barbara wine country so much fun and so unforgettable.

THE MISSION: From vineyards to tasting rooms and even the occasional production facility and barrel room, **the passport is your ticket to a whole spectrum of winery experiences**. It is the perfect introduction to local wineries, showing off the very best of the Santa Barbara wine country.

THE BEST DEAL IN TASTING: Tastings these days cost \$20 or more, making the Passport a sensational value. The Weekday Passport (valid Monday – Friday) costs \$75, and the VIP Passport, good seven days a week, is \$125. It's **the perfect gift for the wine lover** even if that wine lover is vou.

HAVE IT MAILED OR PICK IT UP: Order online at **winecountrydays. com**, and then have your Passport mailed to you, or pick it up in person at Clean Slate Wine Bar in Solvang.

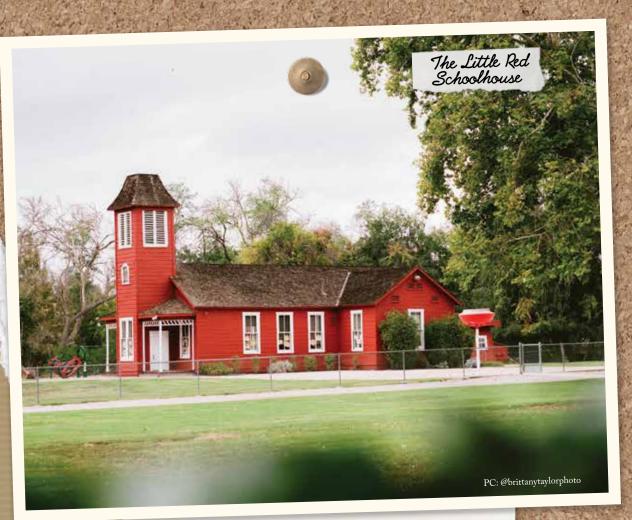
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The serene village of Ballard is the oldest, and with a population of 764, the smallest of the region's towns. However, it holds some of the valley's most treasured gems including two **Santa Barbara County Historic Landmarks**. The first, Ballard Elementary School, also known as the **Little Red Schoolhouse**, has been educating local children since 1883. The other noteworthy landmark is the picturesque Ballard Presbyterian Church, erected in 1889 and now known as **Ballard Country Church**.

The community is also home to the award-winning and recently-redesigned lodging property, **The Ballard Inn**—one of the region's most romantic and luxurious B&Bs where guests can savor delectable cuisine at two onsite dining concepts. The revered Los Alamos eatery **Bob's Well Bread Bakery** gives visitors yet another reason to visit Ballard and experience the serenity and charm of a well-preserved country burg.

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ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN BALLARD

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EAT + SEE + STAY

THE BALLARD INN 2436 Baseline Avenue • 805.688.7770

BALLARD COUNTRY CHURCH 2465 Baseline Avenue • 805.688.6684

BOB'S WELL BREAD 2449 Baseline Avenue • 805.691.9549

LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE 2425 School Street • 805.688.4812

Ballard Fun Facts:

✤ Founded in 1880 at the location of a Wells Fargo stage line station

* Named after William Ballard who ran the station from 1862 to 1870



Bob's Well Bread

PICTURE-PERFECT COUNTRY TOWN

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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California history melds with modern-day wine tasting, dining, galleries and upscale shops in picture-perfect **Los Olivos**. It's a laid-back town—the kind where locals sit on wooden porches and chat with friends and visitors, and an iconic WWI memorial flagpole monument at the intersection of **Grand Avenue** and **Alamo Pintado Avenue** marks the heart of it. Victorian homes and businesses radiate around this community hub, and a patchwork of stunning vineyards, lavender farms, orchards, ranches and horse trails envelop Los Olivos and provide enticing reasons to explore beyond the city limits.

The roots of this town run deep. In the early 1860s, Los Olivos served as a welcome stagecoach stop along the route that ran from San Francisco to San Diego. Don't be deceived by the charming vintage vibes because behind the historic doors, the offerings are decidedly modern and sophisticated —elegant clothing and home decor boutiques, antiques, art galleries and gourmet dining. And then there's the world-class wine tasting. Set aside a day to go tasting room hopping to sample a few of the esteemed local vintages. Without a doubt, Los Olivos has something to offer each and every visitor, from the casual shopper to the serious oenophile.



Los Olivos Fun Facts:

- ✤Boasts 30+ tasting rooms within a fiveblock area
- County Historical
 Landmark Mattei's
 Tavern was built in
 1887
- *Named after a nearby ranch planted with 5,000 olive trees
- Foxen Canyon Wine Trail starts in Los Olivos

EAT + DRINK

ARTISTE 2948 Grand Avenue • 805.686.2626

BAR LE COTE 2375 Alamo Pintado Ave. • barlecote.com

BARBIERI WINE COMPANY 2369 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.688.8882

BECKMAN VINEYARDS 2670 Ontiveros Road • 805.688.8664

BREWER CLIFTON 2367 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.866.6080

CARHARTT FAMILY WINES 2939 Grand Avenue • 805.693.5100

COQUELICOT ESTATE VINEYARD 2884 Grand Avenue • 805.688.1500

DAFOE WINES 2901 Grand Avenue • 805.429.0700

DEMETRIA 6701 Foxen Canyon Road • 805.686.2345

DRAGONETTE CELLARS 2445 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.693.0077

DREAMCÔTE WINE CO. 2933 San Marcos Avenue • 805.691.1200

EPIPHANY CELLARS 2974 Grand Avenue • 805.686.2424

EVAN'S RANCH WINERY 2901 Grand Avenue • 805.688.0558

FESS PARKER WINERY & VINEYARD 6200 Foxen Canyon Road • 805.688.1545

FIGUEROA MOUNTAIN BREWING 2446 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.694.2252

FOXEN VINEYARD & WINERY 7600 Foxen Canyon Road • 805.937.4251

GRIMM'S BLUFF 2445 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.881.3490 KAFNA

2890 Grand Avenue • 805.688.4069

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MATTEI'S TAVERN 2350 Railway Avenue • 805.695.4783

NELLA KITCHEN & BAR 2860 Grand Avenue • 805.686.1359

PETROS WINERY 3360 Foxen Canyon Road • 805.680.5417

REFUGIO RANCH VINEYARDS 2990 Grand Avenue • 805.688.5499

SAARLOOS & SONS 2971 Grand Avenue • 805.688.1200

SAMSARA WINE CO. 2446 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.688.8689 SO FRESH GARAGE

2434 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.688.0400

SOLMINER WINE COMPANY 2890 Grand Avenue • 805.691.9195

STOLPMAN VINEYARDS 2434 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.688.0400 STORM WINES

2948 San Marcos Avenue • 530.409.1875 STORY OF SOIL

2928 San Marcos Avenue • 805.318.6680

TERCERO WINES 2445 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.245.9584

TERRE ET SANG 2982 Grand Avenue • terreetsang.com THE HIDEAWAY

2990 Grand Avenue • 805.697.7892

ZACA MESA WINERY 6905 Foxen Canyon Rd. • 805.688.9339

SEE + SHOP + DO

AVEC MOI 2906 Grand Avenue • 805.688.5700

FIRST STREET LEATHER 2933 Grand Avenue • 805.688.7496

GALLERY LOS OLIVOS 2920 Grand Avenue • 805.688.7517

J. WOESTE IN LOS OLIVOS 2356 Alamo Pintado Ave. • 805.693.1951

KAP LAND & CATTLE 6300 Foxen Canyon Rd. • 805.325.3658 LOS OLIVOS GENERAL STORE

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Festivals & Events

Los Olivos Jazz and Olive Festival Spend a Saturday afternoon tasting wine from 30+ local wineries, listening to world-class, professional jazz musicians, and sampling 30 different olive-themed dishes prepared by local chefs. This tasty event is hosted by the Rotary Club every June in Lavinia Campbell Park.

Annual Day in the Country Experience a dose of small town charm at this local event, held every October for the past forty years. Indulge in the great food and family fun which defines the Los Olivos lifestyle.

Olde Fashioned Christmas Kick off the holiday season with this annual family-friendly celebration. Enjoy musical performances, treats and carolers, the tree lighting ceremony, luminaria adorned streets and the smell of roasted walnuts wafting through the crisp winter air.

For the 2023 SYV Calendar go to pages 84-85.

MORE TO EAT & DRINK

BAR LE CÔTE

Inspired by the daily catch of the Central Coast and the modern cuisine of Europe's seaside capitals, this stylish seafood tavern boasts an elegant yet approachable menu that celebrates California seafood, focusing on local luxuries like sea urchin, crab and halibut, as well as other exotic offerings. 2375 Alamo Pintado Avenue, barlecote.com

LOS OLIVOS WINE MERCHANT AND CAFE

The classic Wine-country Mediterranean cuisine and award-winning wine list at this locals' fave capture the very essence of SYV fine dining. From the local produce- much of which is grown in their own organic Cafe Farm- to grass-fed beef, natural, free-range chicken, and sustainable seafood, great care is taken in selecting each item that hits the plates. Enjoy dining inside or at one of the weather-sheltered, heated outdoor tables. 2879 Grand Avenue, 805.688.7265, winemerchantcafe.com

MATTEI'S TAVERN

California ranch-inspired restaurant Mattei's Tavern spotlights flavorful dishes and honest ingredients, many of which are harvested from Mattei's on-site garden and surrounding local farms. The elevated yet unfussy menu offerings includes grilled dishes and vegetables alongside seasonal specialties. The wine program features a California focused glass list which is complimented by an extensive cellar of Old World favorites. 2350 Railway Avenue, 805.695.4783

NELLA KITCHEN & BAR

This restaurant and bar located inside the Fess Parker Wine Country Inn, is headed by the culinary team behind S.Y. Kitchen. Indulge in offerings from the lengthy cheese list, curated charcuterie selections, or scratch-made, Roman-style pizza, local and world wines, craft cocktails and more. 2860 Grand Avenue, 805.686.1359, nellakitchen.com

PETROS WINERY

At this beautiful winery and event space, which hosts large and small groups, guests can pair a selection of Petros label wine collaborations from Greece, the SYV and Central Coast with their freshly packaged award-winning culinary delights, including dips, soups and more. 3360 Foxen Canyon Road, 805.680.5417, petrosbrand.com

MORE TO SEE - SHOP - DO

AVEC MOI

Here you'll find an extraordinary selection of women's clothing, shoes, jewelry and accessories, along with a selection of men's and baby goods, art and beautiful home decor items and a selection of elegant seasonal decor. 2906 Grand Avenue, 805.688.5700, avecmoidecor.com

FIRST STREET LEATHER

Luxurious leather and fur jackets, coats, boots, shoes, sweaters, handbags and small leather goods for men and women, with first-rate service. 2933 Grand Avenue, 805.688.7496, first-street-leather.com

GALLERY LOS OLIVOS

The gallery showcases work from more than 40 regional artists. A variety of media rotates through the gallery, including paintings, graphite drawings, photography and sculpture. 2920 Grand Avenue, 805.688.7517, gallerylosolivos.com

J. WOESTE IN LOS OLIVOS

A haven for home and garden lovers, plants, succulents and whimsical garden treasures and a cottage brimming with distinctive gifts, books and art. 2356 Alamo Pintado Avenue, 805.693.1951, jwoeste.com

KAP LAND & CATTLE

Saddle-up for a 90-minute horseback ride through the historic 714-acre Parker Family Ranch. Fully customizable for all levels. Guests can also enjoy a luxury picnic lunch. 6300 Foxen Canyon Road, 805.325.3658, kaplandandcattle.com

LOS OLIVOS GENERAL STORE

A modern take on a classic general store, specializing in art, home goods, & locally made products and a tasting room featuring Larner Vineyard and Winery selections. 2900 Grand Avenue, 805.688.8148, losolivosgeneralstore.com

ST. MARKS IN THE VALLEY

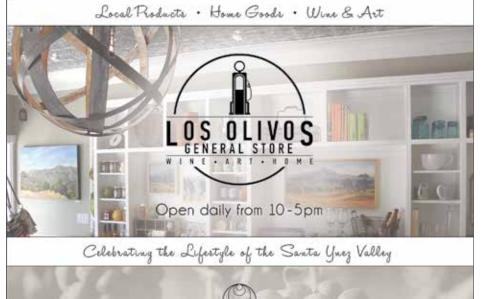
Serving as a Santa Ynez Valley community, music, arts and welcome center this Episcopalian church and preschool offers all ages a wide range of opportunities for spiritual formation and community service. As part of their "Open Doors" program the church is open all day, every day and visitors are welcome to rest, meditate, pray and enjoy the sacred space. 2901 Nojoqui Avenue at Alamo Pintado Avenue,805.688.4454, smitv.org

WENDY FOSTER

Classic California clothing, with a chic Valley vibe - shop luxe sweaters, denim, the latest from CP Shades, Trovata, Ulla Johnson and more, along with accessories, gifts, locally made jewelry and wares. 2928 San Marcos Avenue, 805.686.0110, wendyfoster.com

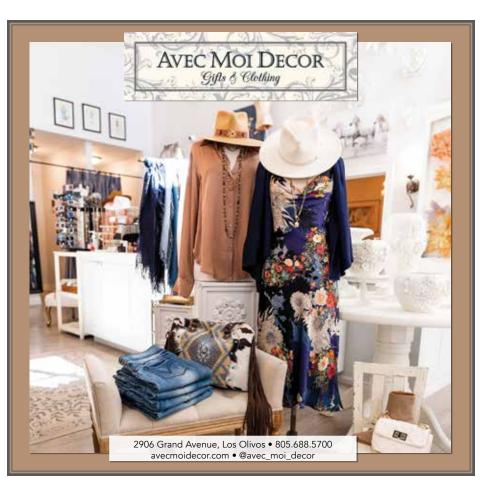
WILDFLOWER WOMEN

Shop this lovely boutique for a perfect blend of timeless and on-trend, effortless and edgy clothing, shoes, boots, accessories, lifestyle and beauty products, plus an adorable children's selection. 2920 Grand Avenue, 805.697.7377, wildflowerwomenboutique.com



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You don't have to be a collector of equestrian art to find wall space for this breathtaking giclee print on canvas of Camargue horses race along France's Rhône River.



HEAD TO TOE

Complete your look with a pair of comfortable clogs or boots from the "shoe shop" within the store. And for the hat-obsessed (our hands are raised), there's a breathtaking range of options—clean and classic, bead and bauble adorned, in neutrals or saturated with color. Good luck trying to leave with just one.

IF YOU ARE NOT IN LOS OLIVOS-NO PROBLEM. HEAD TO AVEC MOI DECOR'S WEBSITE TO SHOP FROM A TIGHT EDIT OF CURRENT CLOTHING. SHOES AND HATS.

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TO GIFT OR RECEIVE

You'll have a hard time deciding whether to gift or keep one of these gorgeous hand-made ceramic vases available in a tempting variety of shapes and sizes.

OH, BABY!

A sweet little corner in the back of the store houses a charming assortment of baby gifts, toys, clothing and dress-up items for the wee ones. Avec Moi Decor CLOTHING AND GIFTS



fringed artisanmade bag adds a perfect blend of Western + Boho vibes!

LOCALS AND VISITORS adore Avec Moi Decor. Stocked with an impressive selection of clothing, boots, jewelry and a bounty of outfit-making accessories, this spacious, light-filled location has been a Los Olivos go-to shopping spot for fashion and decor finds since its inception in 2010. Once known as more of a home decor store with a side of apparel, Avec Moi Decor, has evolved over the years to meet the needs of customers looking to enhance their wardrobes with a range of au courant updates and additions. Options abound—from affordable dresses, denim, sweaters and hats to basics, classics and investment-worthy pieces—to satisfy a full range of retail appetites.

Avec Moi Decor proprietress Michele Power's 30-year stint as a fashion designer, plus extensive travels throughout Europe and her favorite destination, France, provide a bona fide advantage when it comes to sourcing and curating the quality clothing, art and specialty items that populate the inviting space. And Power knows a good thing when she sees and wears it. Take for example, Lysse, a collection of super chic and comfy pull-on pants she discovered years ago and decided were a merchandise must. They've been top sellers since hitting the floor and keep customers coming back for more. For the men who pop in or the ladies who buy for their guys, there's a solid selection of men's hats, top-notch leather wallets and cashmere scarves. Gorgeous gifts and goods for the home including glassware, silver flatware, a revolving assortment of elegant seasonal decor and more abound. If you are not in Los Olivos-no problemhead to their website to shop from a tight edit of current clothing, shoes and hats.

We recently stopped by Avec Moi Decor to peruse the melange of merchandise and these are the fashion and home highlights that had us saying, "Oui, s'il vous plaît, all the way!"

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FRESH PICKS Top the latest styles from the coveted floral embroidered denim collection,

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GOODS FOR GUYS There's a dedicated

men's department with a handsome assortment of hats, genuine leather wallets and luxe, but easy-on-the-wallet cashmere scarves.







This northern "entrance" to the **Santa Ynez Valley**, located at the junction of U.S. Highway 101 and State Route 135, is a few miles from the rest of the Valley towns and so worth the short drive to get there. Surrounded by ranches, farms and vineyards, **Los Alamos**, founded in 1876, has a pervasive vintage vibe yet boasts a wholly au courant food, wine, art and antique scene. The sevenblock main thoroughfare, **Bell Street**, reflects as much Old West heritage as any small town on California's Central Coast. One-ofa-kind lodging here includes a Victorian-style bed & breakfast with themed suites, a renovated 1940s motel made ranch-style chic and just outside of town, a reimagined mid-century roadside motel with sweeping wine country views.

During the last weekend of September **Los Alamos Old Days** honors the town's western heritage with a celebration including an arts and crafts fair, BBQ, car show, dance, and parade—an excellent time to wrangle a visit with free fun for the whole family. Tasting rooms, cool lodging, trendy treasures and exceptional cuisine reward those who venture off the beaten path to discover the unpretentious rancher, hipster, foodie, wine-lover mashup that is Los Alamos.



Casa Dumetz

Los Alamos Fun Facts:

- *In Spanish, "Alamo" refers to the native cottonwood trees that grow along the banks of San Antonio Creek
- + The Union Hotel opened here in 1880 to accommodate overnight travelers at this onceupon-a-time stagecoach stop
- * A wave of Los Angeles transplants helped earn the town's nickname "Little LA."

EAT + DRINK

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BABI'S BEER EMPORIUM

A vast selection of quality craft beer and ciders. 380 Bell Street • 805.344.1900

BELL'S

French bistro-inspired fare with a small yet eclectic wine list highlighting local and European labels. 406 Bell Street

BOB'S WELL BREAD BAKERY

Old world European techniques are used to create delicious hand-made bread & baked goods. 550 Bell Street • 805.344.3000

CASA DUMETZ

Boutique artisan winery & inviting tasting room specializing in lovely small batch handcrafted wines. 388 Bell Street • 805.344.1900

DOVECOTE ESTATE WINERY & RANCH

This estate winery is dedicated to growing and crafting wines that are completely farmed and made by hand. Request a private tasting at Dovecote's Mission Pond. 9229 Alisos Canyon Road • 805.344.3440

FULL OF LIFE FLATBREAD

Known for their wood-fired pizzas and expanded weekend menu specials featuring locally sourced fare. 225 Bell Street • 805.344.4400

LO-FI WINES

For hand-crafted wines, head to this cool tasting room where you can spin the tunes of your choice as you taste. 448-B Bell Street • 805.344.0179

LUMEN

Sample handcrafted wines made from sustainably certified, biodynamic vineyard fruit at Pico Restaurant. 458 Bell Street • 805.350.4054

THE MAKER'S SON

"Gastro garage" featuring chef-driven offerings, craft cocktails, artisan wines, spirits and brews in a restored 1926 gas station. 346 Bell Street • 805.344.1926

NORMAN

California fare with nods to the country roots of Los Alamos along with a locally-focused wine list, and cocktails. 9150 US-101 • 805.344.0080

PICO

Approachable Californian cuisine and an extensive wine list which is available for tasting at the wine bar. 458 Bell Street • 805.344.1122

PLENTY ON BELL

Elevated comfort food, with gluten-free and vegetarian/ vegan options, and an extensive wine and beer list. 508 Bell Street • 805.344.3020

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THE VINEYARDS. VARIETALS AND LOCAL LORE TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR VISIT TO THE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY'S DYNAMIC WINE REGION

A brief history of wine, in the Santa Ynez Valley:

HORSES AND CATTLE were once the main cash crops of the Santa Ynez Valley, a legacy of the Spanish rancho days. But when visionary winemakers began planting **vinifera** and exploring the area's varied terrain in the 1970s, a sea of change was quickly afoot. Oh sure, you can still see thoroughbred horses running in green pastures here, as well as lavender farms and some of the best organic produce anywhere. But these days wine is king - and queen and president and prime minister, too. Vines flourish from the valley floor to mountainside plots 1,500 feet above it. Tasting rooms and restaurants in the towns attract visitors from around the world, who come to taste spectacular wine and enjoy this gorgeous part of the planet.

1964:

1782: The area's first grapevine cuttings are planted, establishing mission vineyards in what is now the city of Santa Barbara.

PC: SB WINER

UC Davis horticulturalists Uriel Nielson and Bill De Mattei establish the county's first commercial vinifera vineyards in the Santa Maria Valley. Ten years later, major Northern California producers are purchasing their Chardonnay grapes.



1973: Brothers Stephen and Bob Miller plant Bien Nacido Vineyard, today one of the valley's most-famous and enduring sources of superb cool-weather grapes.



Pierre Lafond opens Santa Barbara Winery, the first winery since Prohibition.

1962



1970: Central Valley grower Louis Lucas partners with Al Gagnon and Dale Hampton to establish the 800-acre **Tepusquet** Vineyard, one of the earliest in the region.



No tasting room? No Problem!

GARAGISTES may play by their own rules and fly a bit under the radar, but these SYV wine-makers should be on yours. Here's a list of local labels that are just too good to miss. Head to their websites to find out where you can try a taste in the Valley or get a bottle online.

Bradley Family Winery bradleywinery.com **Chanin Wine** chaninwine.com Final Girl Wines finalgirlwines.com Martellotto Wine Productions martellotto.com Rancho de Ontiveros ranchosdeontiveros.com Rockets Red Wines rocketsredwines.com Seagrape Wine Co. seagrapecellars.com

GARAGISTE NOUN (*gæra:* '*ʒi:st*)

A small-scale entrepreneurial winemaker, originally from the Bordeaux region of France, especially one who does not adhere to the traditions of wine-making.





SANTA MARIA VALLEY AVA (1981): Fog and wind keep

temperatures cool, especially in the western part of this near-coast AVA, Santa Barbara County's first. Known for coolweather-loving Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, it also produces excellent Pinot Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc, Nebbiolo and Cabernet Franc.

WINE BY THE NUMBERS

14,000+ Harvested acres of wine grapes in SB County

275+ Number of wineries in SB County

70+ Number of grape varieties grown here

\$93+ million Value of the grapes harvested in SB County in 2020

\$1.7 billion

Estimated annual economic impact of the industry, one of Santa Barbara County's most valuable agricultural segments



2004:

The wine-centric romantic comedy **Sideways** puts Santa Ynez Valley wine country on the map for millions and gives local **Pinot Noirs**, in particular, their place in the Hollywood sun.



The lay of the land:

MOST MOUNTAIN RANGES run in a north-south direction, but the coastal San Raphael and Santa Ynez mountains that form the Santa Ynez Valley and the greater Santa Barbara County wine region run east to west. As such, they act like a funnel for cool air and fog from the Pacific Ocean, creating myriad micro-climates at various elevations suitable for a wide range of varietal grapes. Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and other grapes that like hot days and cold nights predominate in the eastern region, while consistent, cool weather to the west favors such **Burgundy** varietal grapes as Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Both regions provide long growing seasons and extended "hang time" for the fruit, allowing their sugars and acids to develop slowly and fully, essential for great wines.



Alisos Canyon is named the seventh AVA in the region. This tightly defined stand-alone AVA is distinguished by its unique geology, soil structure and climate pattern known for exceptional Rhone-style wines.

1983: The Santa Barbara County Vintners Association is founded in a decade that sees epic growth in terms of vineyards and new wineries.



2012: Richard Sanford, who discovered that the Santa Rita Hills were ideally suited for Pipot Noir becomes

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ALISOS CANYON AVA

(2020): Recently recognized as the region's newest AVA, Alisos Canyon is revered for its highquality fruit and affinity towards Rhone-style varietals. Nestled between the Santa Ynez Valley and Santa Maria Valley, this stand-alone AVA covers 5,774 acres.

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

AVA (1983): The largest AVA in SB County contains four sub-AVAs. Predominantly east-west oriented, it is cut by hills that produce numerous microclimates. World-class Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grow in the cooler western part of the AVA, while Rhône and Bordeaux varieties thrive in the warmer, eastern areas. STA. RITA HILLS AVA (2001): The odd spelling of "Saint" is the result of a settlement involving a Chilean AVA of the same name. Slightly warmer than the adjacent Santa Maria AVA. This is Pinot Noir country, which makes up nearly twothirds of the vineyard acreage, followed by Chardonnay.

HAPPY CANYON AVA

(2009): The most eastern growing region is also the warmest, with hills reducing ocean breezes and fog. Cabernet Sauvignon and warm-weather styles of Sauvignon Blanc predominate, with extensive plantings of Syrah as well.

BALLARD CANYON AVA (2013): Windy, foggy, and with

wildly shifting temperatures, Ballard Canyon occupies a middle ground between the coolest and warmest parts of the valley. The Rhône grape Syrah rules here, accounting for more than half the planted acreage, and local Syrahs are every bit the equal of the French counterparts.

LOS OLIVOS DISTRICT

AVA (2016): Containing the towns of Los Olivos, Solvang and Santa Ynez. Generally lower in elevation and less precipitous than other SB County AVAs, its moderate climate and microclimates allow a range of grapes to thrive, including Italian and Spanish varieties.







High Dining in The Valley

A CULINARY ROAD MAP THROUGH THE SYV

Bar le Côte

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HE SECRET IS OUT! THE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY HAS BECOME A HOT CULINARY DESTINATION FOR FOODIES, WINE ENTHUSIASTS AND BEER GEEKS ALIKE. IN THIS SUCCINCT GUIDE, YOU'LL LEARN ABOUT SOME OF THE BEST RESTAURANTS ACROSS BUELLTON, BALLARD, LOS ALAMOS, LOS OLIVOS, SANTA YNEZ AND SOLVANG TO HELP NAVIGATE THE GASTRONOMICAL DELIGHTS OF THE SYV.

MENUS HERE READ LIKE LOVE LETTERS TO LOCAL FARMERS, AS VALLEY CHEFS SOURCE FOOD SO FRESH THE INGREDIENTS IN YOUR EVENING MEAL WERE LIKELY HARVESTED THE SAME MORNING. FROM MICHELIN-STAR FRENCH-AMERICAN CUISINE TO BUCOLIC BAKERIES, THIS GUIDE HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE.

BUELLTON

We begin our adventure in Buellton. Those looking for a classic wine country steakhouse experience will find **Hitching Post II** fits the bill nicely. Made famous by the film, *Sideways*, Hitching Post II offers fresh-from-the-grill classics like Santa Maria-style tri-tip, burgers and artichokes.

Down the road, casual dining meets fine cuisine at **Industrial Eats**. This restaurantcum-butchershop has a rotating menu featuring seasonally, locally sourced and sustainable ingredients served fresh from their two woodfired ovens. Communal tables allow guests to meet and mingle with other food fans.

For the hopheads among us, **Firestone Walker Brewing Company** is a must-stop. In addition to fresh ales, lagers and a rotating list of sour beers, it also boasts a fantastic food menu that includes classic pub grub, tacos, hearty salads and an enormous soft pretzel served with beer cheese.

Check out **The Tavern at Zaca Creek** for delicious cocktails and farm-fresh eats. The rustic tavern offers a variety of main courses on its dinner menu with ingredients sourced from local farmers, ranchers and fishers. Their cocktail program features sought-after bourbons and ryes, regional tequilas and mezcals and classic vodkas.

Diners will be delighted to discover a simple yet flavorful menu at **Morrell's Farm Fresh Dining** on McMurray Road. Choose



Brothers Restaurant at The Red Barn from a menu that includes everything from rack of lamb to roasted duck. Morrell's is yet another restaurant with a reverence for fresh, locally sourced ingredients. In



the town of Santa Ynez is **The Baker's Table**, an artisan bakery offering breakfast and lunch Tuesday through Sunday. From savory quiches to delicious sandwiches on fresh-baked bread, this is an essential stop.

The **Brothers Restaurant at the Red Barn** is a Santa Ynez Valley staple, featuring a menu of hearty ranch classics like a romaine wedge salad, sautéed rainbow trout and grilled ribeye steak. Save room for the Brothers' mud pie for dessert!

Down the road is one of the Valley's best-kept secrets; **Ellie's Tap & Vine**. Whether ordering the seared salmon with wilted spinach and roasted fingerlings, slow-cooked pork shank or the seared paprika lamb loin, you'll be glad to be in the know.

Rustic Italian fare abounds at crowd favorite **S.Y. Kitchen** with homemade pasta and a rotating menu of seasonal entrées. Like their sister restaurant, Nella, there's an amazing beverage program full of specialty cocktails and sought-after wines.

Santa Ynez's newest restaurant and bar, **The Victor**, offers oven and grill-fired dishes from the land and the sea. The Victor is a goto for ambrosial eats like Kobe filet mignon, grilled lobster or mushroom-stuffed peppers. The crispy shoestring fries and yellowfin tuna crudo are great starters to whet the appetite.

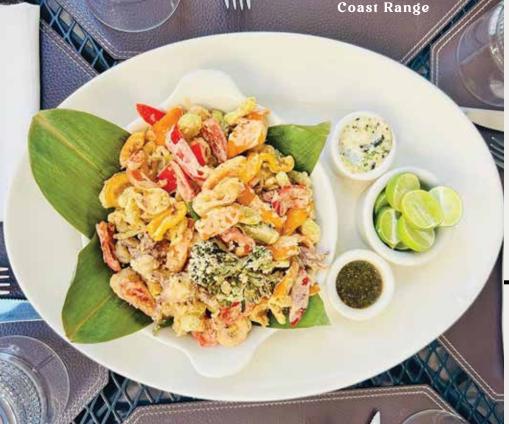
Travelers searching for a hearty sandwich in Santa Ynez will be pleased to find **The Lucky Hen Larder** on the east side of the town. The use of fine cheeses, fresh-cut deli meats and delicious jams and sauces make their artisan sandwiches works of culinary art.

The Willows at the Chumash Casino Resort specializes in succulent prime steaks and seafood. The menu at The Willows shows off only the best ingredients from nearby farms, ranches and gardens, and their wine list offers a variety of local and imported wines.

BALLARD

We next make our way to the quaint town of Ballard and the dual gems of **Plume** at The Ballard Inn and **Bob's Well Bread** bakery.





With its updated menu, Plume, formerly known as The Gathering Table, is dining at its finest. Plume's fresh and wholesome ingredients make for a comforting meal full of delights. Vegetarians will love the roasted cauliflower with grapes and toasted almonds, while meateaters will have their pick of pan-roasted duck breast, bone marrow cavatelli (with housemade ricotta, no less) and Wagyu flat iron steak.

Across the street, you'll find Bob's Well Bread's second location for an exceptional breakfast or lunch. Those who have visited the original Los Alamos location will find Bob's classics like the Egg-in-a-Jar, Avocado Toast Tartine and Raisin Challah French Toast, along with an assortment of delicious pastries and bread baked fresh daily. If you're looking to pack a lunch for a winery visit, choose from a selection of sandwiches on ficelle French bread.

LOS ALAMOS

Head up Highway 101 for the incomparable food destination of Los Alamos. Newest to the Bell Street lineup is **The Maker's Son**, which has locally inspired, globally infused cuisine. Seared ahi, Angus center-cut sirloin and braised short-rib orecchiette and cheese round out a singularly delicious menu.

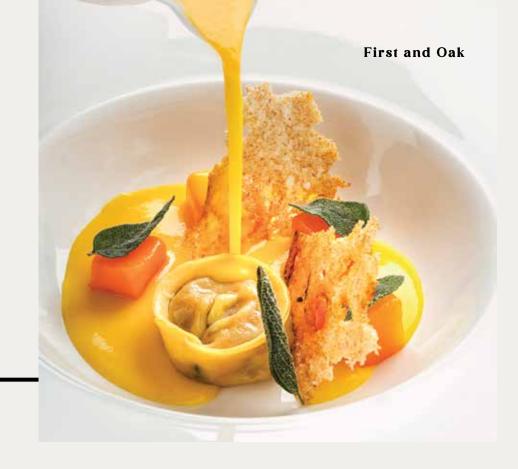
Full-of-Life Flatbread has a rotating, seasonal menu of flatbreads, farm-fresh meats and veggies and a local wine list that has been a staple in the Valley for two decades. Order their Lil' Alamos carrot salad, soup of the weekend and their flatbread specials for the full experience.

Make your way south on Bell Street for **Pico Los Alamos**, located in this western town's old general store. Their wine selection features both local and global wines at every price point, and Pico's ever-changing menu includes upscale burgers and fries, grilled rockfish and tri-tip.

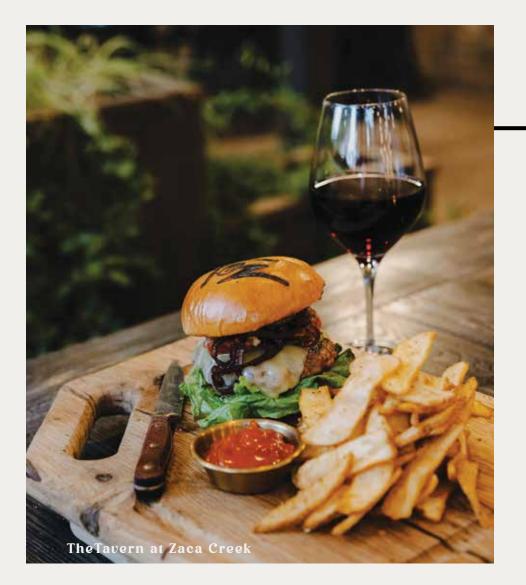
Check out **Plenty on Bell** for biscuits and gravy, chorizo and eggs, Jesper's short rib hash for breakfast and their sandwiches and salads for lunch. Try Plenty's crispy fried Brussels sprouts and bbq pulled pork for dinner.

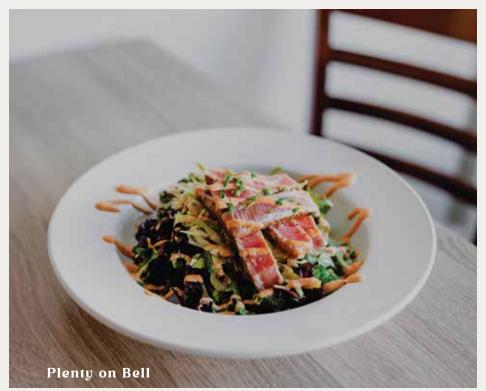
Los Alamos' Michelin Star restaurant, **Bell's**, is a French-American bistro that has helped put this single stop sign town on the culinary map. Dinner guests can indulge in a six-course prix fixe meal that includes selections such as gnocchi, scallops and a perfect French omelet. And their egg salad sandwich for lunch is one of the best you'll ever have!

Norman, the Skyview luxury motel restaurant, features a fun menu of shrimp and









grits, chorizo empanadas and sous vide duck confit that is the perfect accompaniment to their renowned cocktail list. Drinks include classics, specials and seasonally rotating libations.

SOLVANG

Solvang, the largest of the Valley towns, decidedly has the most diverse dining options as well. From Italian, American diner and traditional Danish pastries and cuisine to elevated steakhouse, seasonal comfort food and Michelin nods, Little Denmark has something to please just about everyone's palate.

First & Oak at the Mirabelle Inn is a Michelin Plate-awarded eatery that features seasonal prix fixe menus to allow diners to explore fresh regional ingredients. Local wines pair perfectly with each item on the menu and highlight the rich flavors of the Santa Ynez Valley.

Located at the River Golf Course, **River Grill** offers breakfast all-day and a hearty lunch with options like burgers, tacos and sandwiches. Unwind after a round of golf with a cocktail or an ice-cold glass of beer.

At **Coast Range** guests are treated to such fare as grilled bone marrow, miso-glazed black cod and veal parmesan. The cocktails here are to die for, and the selection of wine is extensive.

Sear Steakhouse is another wonderful restaurant for those of the carnivorous persuasion. Beef Wellington or a bonein tomahawk steak alongside risotto, fried cauliflower or whipped potatoes are menu highlights.

Chomp offers classic diner fare, including burgers and fries, an excellent Reuben, milkshakes and a family-friendly atmosphere.

Whiskey N' Rye BBQ is perfect for smoked brisket, a bbq sampler trio and loaded mac and cheese.

Cecco Ristorante serves artisan wood-fired pizza for lunch and dinner and amazing pastas like carbonara, puttanesca and pasta al pesto.

Osteria Grappolo has a number of traditional Italian dishes like chicken piccata, linguine al pesce and risotto. Sip on local and Italian wines, then finish your meal with tiramisu.

Leonardo's Ristorante & Pizzeria is authentic Italian cuisine at its finest. The pesce del giorni and ravioli di ricotta spinach are delicious, and Leonardo's beverage menu leaves nothing to be desired.

Stop in at **Olsen's Danish Village Bakery** for a bucket of various butter cookies to share

with friends and family or a Danish Kringle for special occasions.

Birkholm's Bakery and Cafe includes delicious baked treats, sandwiches and salads, and the **Danish Mill Bakery** is the place to go for danishes, apple kuchen and other sweet treats!

Head over to **Peasants Feast & Deli** for a wide selection of chef's specials and inspired vegetarian dishes such as the cauliflower soup. They also have a nice variety of local wines and beers.

Red Viking Restaurant offers Danish-American fare, including delicious sausages and meatballs.

Solvang Restaurant is famous for its æbleskiver and a selection of three-egg omelets, sandwiches and waffles.

LOS OLIVOS

In the heart of wine country is Los Olivos, home to over 27 tasting rooms and some of the best restaurants in California. Head to **Los Olivos Wine Merchant & Café** for lunch or dinner; their menu features farm-fresh salads, sandwiches and mouth-watering pastas and an extensive wine list.

For Italian cuisine, check out **Nella Kitchen** & Bar, replete with a cozy interior and beautiful patio for al fresco dining. In addition to lamb chops and pastas, guests return again and again for the menu of Roman-style flatbreads, called pinsas. Nella's list of specialty cocktails is robust, and its wine menu features a mix of local and European wines.

Visit **Bar Le Côte**, the sister restaurant of Bell's in Los Alamos, for delicious seafood. Savor oysters on the half shell, sea urchin and caviar to start, then dig into the dinner menu, which includes such delights as day boat scallop crudo, chili marinated whole barramundi and paella.

The newly reopened **Mattei's Tavern** includes five places to drink and dine, each with its own ambitious menu. Signature eatery The Tavern is the mainstay of the property's eateries, with a seasonally rotating menu of grilled dishes and vegetables. The Bar offers bite-sized and hearty snacks to enjoy alongside historically inspired cocktails and local craft beers. Felix Feed & Coffee offers lite breakfast options and a European-style coffee bar. The Olive Shed provides poolside bites, and Gin's Tap Bar pays homage to the longtime chef of the original Mattei's Tavern.



Valley

After a full itinerary of adventuring, touring and tasting throughout the Valley, the day may be done, but the nighttime fun is just getting started. Wind down with a craft cocktail in a chill lounge, or gear up for some line dancing and live entertainment. After the sun sets, revel in concerts, dancing, world-class theatrical productions beneath the stars and more! And, if you're feeling lucky, a roll of the dice. From sports bars to wine bars and everything in between, you're sure to find your nocturnal niche in the SYV.

CHUMASH CASINO RESORT: Live it up at this AAA Four Diamond-rated hotel and Spa with 24-hour gaming, award-winning fine dining and live entertainment, concerts, championship boxing events and more. 3400 California 246, Santa Ynez, 805.686.0855, chumashcasino.com

FIGUEROA MOUNTAIN BREWERY CO:

This locals' fave, with a wide range of IPA, stout and ale beers on tap, features events and live music on the weekends. Two valley locations - Buellton Taproom: 45 Industrial Way, 805.694.2252 and Los Olivos: 2363 Alamo Pintado, 805.697.7601, figmtnbrew.com

THE GOOD LIFE: Experience a diverse selection of Central Coast wines, California craft beers, local eats and occasional live music at this wine and craft beer cellar. 1672 Mission Drive, Solvang, 805.688.7111, thegoodlifecellar.com

HIGH ROLLER TIKI LOUNGE: For a different tasting experience, try a tiki-style wine-based cocktail. The extensive menu of "tiki-tails" includes takes on classics. plus signature concoctions and a selection of craft beers. 433 Alisal Road, Solvang, 805.691.9224, highrollertiki.com

MAD & VIN AT THE LANDSBY: Visitors love this warm and welcoming modern "Scandinavian style" bar serving craft cocktails, "shrubs", beer and acclaimed local wine. Check their schedule for seasonal live entertainment in the garden courtyard. 1576 Mission Drive Solvang, 805.688.3121, thelandsby.com

LOST CHORD GUITARS: Get your wine, beer and music fix at this downtown Solvang boutique guitar shop, music venue and art/photography gallery. 1576 Copenhagen Drive, Suite 101, 805.331.4363, lostchordguitars.com

MAVERICK SALOON: If you are looking for an authentic taste of old California this OG saloon with live music, line dancing, happy hours and Honky Tonk nights is a must-do! Santa Ynez, 3687 Sagunto Street, 805.686.4785, mavericksaloon.com

NORMAN: Get your mid-century fix at Skyview Los Alamos, where quests can dine and drink inside or poolside at the on-site restaurant and bar. 9150 US-101, Los Alamos, 805.344.0104, skyviewlosalamos.com

PCPA-PACIFIC CONSERVATORY THEATRE: June through September,

at Solvang Festival Theater, experience world-class musical, drama and comedy performances by the only resident theater company on the Central Coast. 420 Second Street, Solvang, Box Office, 805.922.8313. For the 2023 season schedule, go to pcpa.org

SIDEWAYS LOUNGE: Located at Sideways Inn and adjacent to Flying Flags RV Resort, this lounge is a great late-night spot and offers innovative handcrafted drinks, local beer and wines from the SYV. 114 E Hwy 246, Buellton, 805.688.8448, highwaywestvacations.com

SOLVANG FESTIVAL THEATER:

This beautiful outdoor venue is the summer home of PCPA theater company. Experience the magic of theater, rock, country and jazz concerts and movie nights under a canopy of stars. 420 2nd Street, 805.686.1789, solvangfestivaltheater.org

STANDING SUN WINES: An industrial winery, family and dog-friendly tasting room, modern art gallery and live entertainment venue. 92 Second Street #D, Buellton, 805.691.9413, standingsunwines.com

TALES FROM THE TAVERN: Maverick Saloon plays host to this concert series showcasing singer-songwriter-storytellers, acclaimed artists, including Hall of Famers, National Medal of Arts recipients, cultural icons and underground heroes. 805.688.0383, talesfromthetavern.com

VAQUERO BAR: For transcendent latenight bites and drinks, head to this sophisticated but laid-back bar housed in Coast Range restaurant. Play DJ and spin some vinyl on the turntable while enjoying fish and chips and an Old Fashioned. 1635 Mission Drive, Solvang, 805.691-9134, vaquerobar.com

VINLAND HOTEL & LOUNGE: Craft cocktails, local brews and wines and tasty small plates crafted with unmistakable Danish flair await guests at this intimate lounge in Solvang. 1455 Mission Drive, 805.688.2018, vinlandhotelandlounge.com

Tour local **microbreweries** and artisanal distilleries to see brewmasters put their unique and innovative spin on handcrafted beer and spirits. The annual Buellton Brew Fest, typically held in May at beautiful River View Park, draws microbrew aficionados to the Valley to sample craft beer from over 40 brewers, along with food, live music, games and more. For other pint-raising festivals and events, head to pages 84-85.

HERE'S A ROUND-UP OF THE VALLEY'S BEST SPOTS TO GRAB A LOCAL LIBATION AND A BREW OR TWO.

Babi's Beer Emporium: 380 Bell Street, Los Alamos 805.344.1911 babisbeeremporium.com

Clean Slate: 448 Atterdag Road, Solvang 805.302.1787 cleanslatewinebar.com

DorWood Distillery: 201 Industrial Way #D, Buellton 805.691.9259 dorwood-distillery.com

Figueroa Mountain Brewing Co:

45 Industrial Way, Buellton 805.694.2252, & 2363 Alamo Pintado Avenue, Los Olivos 805.697.7601 figmtnbrew.com

Firestone Walker Brewing Company, **Taproom Restaurant & Barrelworks:** 620 McMurray Avenue, Buellton 805.225.5911 firestonebeer.com

> The Good Life: 1672 Mission Drive, Solvang 805.688.7111 thegoodlifecellar.com

Say Spaaa

Get your glow on and find your moment of ZIN at one of these world-class resorts

Unwind or energize at **Alisal Ranch**. On the spa menu, you'll find "The Alisal", a quintessential Swedish massage—a full body massage experience using long, gliding strokes that incorporates local elements. The session begins with aromatherapy to induce a sense of calmness, as the massage promotes circulation and improves flexibility while easing muscle tension. *guests and members only

Try the Signature Couples Massage at **The Spa at Chumash Casino Resort**. This personalized treatment allows you to relax, renew and enjoy time together in a private couple's suite. Your therapist will incorporate various therapeutic techniques to create a luxurious, memorable, one-ofa-kind experience.



Ommm... Away From Home

Relax, rejuvenate and experience the healing benefits of yoga + wine at one of **Vineyard Yoga SYV's** outdoor vineyard sessions followed by a tasting flight. Practicing yoga before tasting wine opens the senses and allows you to experience the wine more deeply. vineyardyogasyv.com

Places to get Pampered:

The Spa at Chumash Casino Resort 805.691.1755 chumashcasino.com Wine Valley Inn and Cottages 805.688-2111 winevalleyinn.com

Alisal Ranch 805.686.7721 alisal.com

*guests and members only

Santa Ynez Inn 805.688.5588 santaynezinn.com

For more info on planning a relaxing

wellness wine

vacation to the

Santa Ynez Valley,

go to visitsyv.com

Raise a Glass To Your Health

Studies suggest moderate wine consumption can lead to a healthier heart, strengthen bones, sharpen minds and even help protect against certain cancers. And with more than 100 wineries, the Santa Ynez Valley has much to offer. For a map of area vineyards and tasting rooms, go to pages 66-67.

Body Body Scines Wellness + Relaxation.

Wellness + Relaxation, Valley-style

Santa Ynez Valley is best known for its worldclass wine and farm-fresh cuisine, but the natural beauty and slower pace make it an ideal place to restore mind, body and spirit. Unplug for the day and allow yourself to recharge, reset and reconnect with an improved 2.0 you! Combine the pleasures of wine country with the holistic benefits of spa treatments and wellness activities for a perfect pairing.

*Please check individual websites for updates and available services.



AN ABUNDANCE OF ACTIVITIES.

attractions and outdoor adventures awaits SYV visitors of every age and interest. Here are some suggestions to help choose how you "do" the Valley!

Perhaps some heart-pumping cycling or maybe more mellow trail hiking? Hop on a horse, hit some golf balls, take a nature

lake cruise and search the sunny skies for bald eagles or take to the skies yourself and see the Valley from a hot air balloon. Feed the world's largest bird, drop into a rad skatepark, engage your brain or get in touch with your creative nature. Find the best fit, get out and about and enjoy some fresh air, blue skies and endless Valley sunshine!



Know before you go: For the most current information, please be sure to check with the attractions before visiting by going to the individual websites or by calling directly to get the latest information, hours, etc.

Picnic & Play in Paradise

CACHUMA LAKE RECREATION AREA: A beautiful destination amidst oak woodlands with everything for a relaxing getaway - cabin, yurt, RV and tent camping, picnic areas, boating, boat and kayak rentals, naturalist-guided wildlife cruises, fishing, hiking, family-friendly programs, the Neal Taylor Nature Center, a general store and more. 805.686.5054. Reserve camping online at sbparks.org

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN PARK AND SKATEPARK: Enjoy oak trees, a skate park, playgrounds, a music-making station, a rockclimbing wall and picnic tables in Solvang. 805.688.7529, cityofsolvang.com

NOJOQUI FALLS COUNTY PARK: A 15-minute moderate hike on a well-maintained trail leads to a beautiful waterfall and the perfect picnic spot just outside of Solvang. 805.688.4217, countyofsb.org

PAWS DOG PARK: Let your four-legged friends go for a romp at this spacious Buellton bark park. 805.688.5177, syvpaws.org

RIVER VIEW PARK: Take in the beautiful view of the Santa Rita Hills from this Buellton beauty. 805.688.5177, cityofbuellton.com

SOLVANG PARK: Located in downtown Solvang at Mission Drive and First Street, host to festivals, free movies, concerts in the summertime, Julefest in the winter and a popular picnic spot year-round.

SUNNY FIELDS PARK: Great family park in Solvang with wooden Danish-themed structures, a giant tire swing and rope bridges. 805.688.7529, cityofsolvang.com



and the greater Santa Barbara County area offer a wide range of hiking the Los Padres National Forest, including the **Dick** Smith Wilderness

and San Rafael Wilderness areas. For current trail conditions and more information, call 805.968.6640 or go to fs.fed.us. Turn to page 78 for more info on hiking in the Valley.

2. WITH WHEELS: With varied elevations, terrain, beautiful scenery and a

temperate climate, the SYV attracts serious and recreational cyclists from all over the world. Tour the wineries at a leisurely pace along quiet country roads or go big for the 50-mile, 4350foot elevation gain ride required to reach the top of Figueroa Mountain. Santa Barbara Wine Country Cycling (Go to page 79 to learn more about their premiere services. (888.557.8687, winecountrycycling.com) offers a variety of tours and top-of-the-line equipment rentals. Dr. J's Bicycle Shop offers a great selection of road and mountain bike rentals and is the Valley's resource for bicycles, cycling accessories, parts and service (805.688.6263, drjsbikeshop.com)

3. BY HORSEBACK: With numerous thoroughbred ranches, training facilities and riding clubs, along with Cowgirl Hall of Famers and **Olympic** champions, it's no wonder the Valley is one of the most active equestrian locations in the nation. Events and competitions are held almost every weekend at the Valley's equestrian center. Go to syvea.org for a schedule. No horse, no problem. You can still saddle up with one of the local guide companies who offer guided trail rides

on safe, gentle horses, suitable for beginners and experienced riders. Reservations are recommended. Turn the page for more info about saddling up in the Valley.

4. FROM THE SKY:

Get up, up and away in a beautiful balloon with Sky's the Limit Ballooning Adventures. A near-perfect year-round climate and luscious vine-covered Valley views set against the San Rafael mountain range make the SYV an ideal place for ballooning. 760.602.0295, skysthelimitballooning.com





SANTA BARBARA WINE COUNTRY CYCLING offers premiere, professionally-guided day tours and multi-day destination cycling vacations that combine great cycling with a delightful culinary experience. Riders of all abilities are rewarded with an indulgent farm-to-table picnic lunch at a local vineyard, along with complementary olive oil and wine tasting during the tour. Guests can select from top-of-the-line 2021 Specialized Sirrus hybrid bicycles, carbon road and electric-assist bikes to find the perfect fit. winecountrycycling.com



Flora & Fauna

CLAIRMONT LAVENDER FARM: A five-acre working organic lavender farm in Los Olivos, where visitors are welcome to stroll the fields, picnic or shop the boutique. Open Wednesday -Sunday. 805.688.7505, clairmontfarms.com

FLAG IS UP FARMS: Home to "The Man Who Listens to Horses" and the renowned Monty Roberts International Learning Center, a starting point for some of the world's most successful performance and racehorses. 805.688.6288, montyroberts.com

NEAL TAYLOR NATURE CENTER: Located within the Cachuma Lake Recreation Area halfway between the Valley and Santa Barbara off of Highway 154, this center offers exhibits on the local environment that educate visitors about the area's rich natural environment and cultural history. 805.693.0691, clnaturecenter.org

OSTRICHLAND USA: Feed the 50+ ostriches and emus or stand back and enjoy the antics of these unbelievably large birds. Shop a variety of ostrich and emu-related products. 805.686.9696, ostrichlandusa.com

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY BOTANIC GARDEN: Visit this community garden to learn about the natural environment of the entire Valley. Enjoy an educational class, workshop or the Children's Amphitheater. 805.245.5603, santaynezvalleybotanicgarden.com

FIGUEROA MOUNTAIN ROAD/LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST: Take a drive (north from Los Olivos) to see the brightly colored lupine, California poppies and wild mustard that carpet the hillsides in the springtime. An Adventure Pass is needed if you plan to hike or walk around. Passes are available online or at the Ranger Station at the top of Figueroa Mountain Road. 805.448.6487, fs.fed.us

Beaches WITHIN

Head over the pass to SANTA BARBARA and explore the nearby **Pacific coastline** for a day. Set sail with Santa Barbara Sailing Center, where you can charter a sailboat or powerboat, rent a kayak or REACH stand-up paddleboard, go whale-watching or take in a sunset cruise. Located next to the launch ramp at

the Santa Barbara Harbor. 805.962.2826, sbsail.com

Explore, snorkel and kayak the nearby CHANNEL ISLANDS or hang ten in town and paddle along the coast with Santa Barbara Adventure Company. 805.884.9283, sbadventureco.com



EL CAPITAN STATE BEACH: Located between Buellton and Santa Barbara, this sandy beach with tide pools, sycamore and oak trees along El Capitan Creek is excellent for swimming, fishing, surfing, picnicking and camping. 805.968.1033, parks.ca.gov

GAVIOTA STATE BEACH: 11 miles south of Buellton, marked by a tall railroad trestle that crosses **Gaviota Creek**, the park is a popular spot for swimming, picnicking, surf fishing and camping. 805.968.1033, parks.ca.gov

JALAMA BEACH: A beautiful site for camping, surfing, fishing, kite flying, windsurfing, basketball, volleyball, horseshoes or beachcombing. There's also a small store and restaurant grill. 805.736.3504, countyofsb.org

REFUGIO STATE BEACH: Excellent coastal fishing, trails and picnic sites. Palm trees planted near **Refugio Creek** give a distinctive look to the beach and camping area just north of Santa Barbara. 805.968.1033, parks.ca.gov

Fresh Picks

FOLDED HILLS FARMSTEAD: Home to organically grown seasonal produce, heritage farm animals and locally made goods. 805.694.8086, foldedhills.com

GLOBAL GARDENS: Pop into the Tastings and Provisions Shop. located in Santa Ynez, for artisan extra virgin olive oil tastings, balsamic vinegars, olives, gourmet goods and beauty products made with Global Garden's olive oils. 805.686.4111, globalgardensonline.com

HIDDEN CANYON RANCH + FARM: Tours are held every Saturday on this 40+ acre ranch nestled in the rolling Santa Rita Hills of Lompoc.



Enjoy farm-to-table winemaker dinners, yoga under the oaks and cooking and gardening classes. 310.892.6517, hiddencanyonranch.com

> SOLVANG FARMERS' MARKET: Every Wednesday afternoon. 2:30-5:30, year-round at Copenhagen Drive & 1st Street, 805.962.5354, sbfarmersmarket.org

SANTA BARBARA BLUEBERRIES: A seasonal u-pick blueberry farm off Highway 1 in Gaviota with pomegranates, wild honey, blueberry jams and other natural products. Seasonal. 805.686.5718, santabarbarablueberries.com



For a different kind of adventure, head indoors for a race to solve clues and puzzles and escape before your time runs out at THE **ULTIMATE ESCAPE ROOMS** (805.474.4208, Ve theultimateescaperooms.com). Fulfill your inner maker and dig into some clay at **COMMUNITY CLAYWORKS** in Buellton (646.709.7861,

communityclayworks.com), or paint your masterpiece in the middle of a vineyard with ART SPOT ON WHEELS (805.325.8092, artspotonwheels.com). Taste, document and photograph Solvang via an EAT THIS, SHOOT THAT professional tour (805.699.6719, eatthisshootthat.com). Experience "Little Denmark" in a whole new way with an AMAZING SCAVENGER HUNT ADVENTURE (805.603.5620, urbanadventurequest.com)

Take A

Hiking is one of the best ways to experience the beauty of a region. The SYV's extensive network of trails afford hikers of all ages and abilities a perfect taste of the area's splendor. With loads of natural beauty, local trails provide access to everything from wildflower-blanketed hillsides and commanding ocean views to mellow walks through the endless acres of vineyards.

For breathtaking ocean and mountain views, check out Gaviota Wind Caves—a windswept sandstone formation just a mile from the Pacific Ocean west of Santa Barbara. The hike to the caves is 2.5 miles round trip with a 600-foot elevation gain. hikespeak.com/trails/gaviotawind-caves





Locals' fave Lover's Loop Trail rewards with lovely grass and oak-studded hillsides and views. Hikers can do a small portion of this trail for a leisurely hike or the entire loop for a more challenging trek. The entire 4.1 mile loop is moderately strenuous. For the required permit and more information, directions to the trailhead and other great hikes, go to sbtrails.org/maps/midlandtrail-map.

Head to Red Rock for some summertime fun and plan to get wet with multiple creek crossings on this popular area trail along the Santa Ynez River. santabarbarahikes.com/hikes/ backcountry/redrock

Hiking Safety & Etiquette

* Stay on the trails

*Carry plenty of water

* Horses & mules have the right of way on trails

*Do not litter. Leave no trace

* High Fire Hazard Area. Fires & smoking are prohibited

area is home to rattlesnakes & ticks



Long before cars and roads transported people around the Valley and into the surrounding backcountry horses did. And this western heritage remains deeply ingrained in the SYV culture today. It's not unusual to see a few trusty steeds hitched to a post outside of a local restaurant while their riders enjoy dinner with friends. Luckily for visitors, the

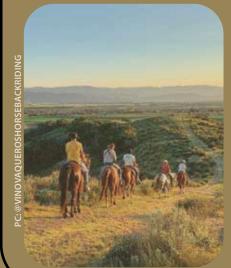
area has a variety of top-notch, qualified local outfitters and guides to ensure that everyone, from "city-slicker" novices to seasoned equestrians, has the opportunity to experience the joy of exploring the local landscape in true Valley fashion. Enjoy a relaxing ride through breathtaking vineyards and working

ranches, picnic in style with a gourmet lunch, take an early morning ride into the hills and cozy up to a crackling campfire for an authentic western breakfast, or end the day with a ride off into the sunset and a glass of local wine. Saddle up with one of these local outfitters each with its unique offerings.



Vino Vaqueros - vinovaqueros.com KAP Land and Cattle Co. - kaplandandcattle.com Alisal Ranch (overnight quests only) - alisal.com Santa Ynez Valley Horseback Rides - syvhorsebackrides.com

RIDE WITH VINO Vaqueros





Bob's Well Bread bobswellbread.com Brothers Restaurant at the Red Barn brothersredbarn.com Figueroa Mountain Brewing Co. figmtnbrew.com Los Olivos Wine Merchant Cafe winemerchantcafe.com The Baker's Table thebakers-table.com The Lucky Hen Larder theluckyhenlarder.com





SANTA BARBARA WINE COUNTRY Cycling Tours

THE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY, just a short drive from Los Angeles, has become internationally regarded as a premier cycling destination. This bikefriendly community, 30 miles from Santa Barbara, with its rolling back roads and sweeping views of the Los Padres National Forest is a California gem.

Select one of their wine country day tours or enjoy one of their multi-day destination cycling vacations that extend throughout the region. Their guests have been enjoying the personal touches and first class service of a European cycling excursion without the hassle of international travel since 2005; firmly establishing SB Wine Country Cycling as the Central Coast's premier cycling tour ambassador. The farm to table experience has been a staple in the Santa Ynez Valley for decades and they have made it their passion to combine great cycling with a delightful culinary experience. Farm to table picnic lunches are prepared fresh and served in picturesque vineyards. Wine, decadent cupcakes, olive oil and beer tasting are also available, as are the many spa treatments and massages offered locally. The region is also home to over 40 world-renowned AVAs (American Viticulture Areas); making the rows of grapes lining our bike routes and the picturesque vineyards where lunch is served the perfect setting for your next cycling adventure. The "Vines to Coast Tour" offers the best

of both worlds with 4 days of cycling in the Santa Ynez Valley, followed by several days on the coast of Santa Barbara, where your party will relax on the shores of the American Riviera.

Santa Barbara Wine Country Cycling Tours caters to all riders' abilities and their friendly staff

is skilled at customizing routes to ensure everyone has fun. Multi-day vacations include guided tours, premiere accommodations and local dining.

Only in town for a day or two? Santa Barbara Wine Country Cycling also offers daily wine country bike tours. Each daily tour includes bike rentals and helmets, a professional local tour guide and an authentic farm-to-table picnic lunch, including an artisan charcuterie with locally-sourced, seasonal, heirloom organic salad, a French baguette and fresh fruit served in a picturesque vineyard. Tours depart from the Solvang storefront shortly after 9:00 am and return at around 2:30 pm. And they will pick up parties of 4 or more to transport from downtown Santa Barbara to the wine country. Guided tours along the waterfront in Santa Barbara include lunch at the Field & Fort in Summerland. Guided hiking tours are also available in the Santa Barbara foothills or the wine country back country, complete with an epicurean picnic lunch on the trail.

Daily wine country bike tours, guided hiking and multi-day cycling vacations are available for everyone from the novice to seasoned active tourist. Electricassist guided bike tours are also available, as well self-guided bike rentals. Custom and private groups welcomed including wedding parties, corporate retreats and active family vacations.

> For more info go to winecountrycycling.com or call them directly at 888.557.8687



Have you ever considered taking a break from the city and envisioned yourself pedaling by vineyards sprinkled with majestic oaks? Santa Barbara Wine Country Cycling Tours makes a cycling vacation daydream a reality.





LA PURISIMA

La Purisima is a superior 18-hole Championship design by world-renowned architect Robert Muir Graves. Challenging and beautiful in its naturally undulating landscape, La Purisima requires both skill and patience. A course that is likely to test your character, as well as reveal it! This stunning layout traces the valley floor before climbing to hilly terrain marked by huge oaks, slick perched greens, and giant sculpted bunkers. This course is operated by golf purists for golf purists. They believe in the essence of playing golf in a natural environment, where fairways and greens are framed by nature.

3455 EAST HIGHWAY 246, 805.735.8395 LAPURISIMAGOLF.COM



ALISAL RANCH COURSE

Designed by legendary Billy Bell, the Alisal Ranch Course, open since 1955, is exclusively for Alisal Ranch guests and members. This par-72 course stretches for 6,500 yards and is distinguished by tight fairways. It is surrounded by venerable oaks, sycamores and eucalyptus and features an imposing barranca that winds through the entire course. The Ranch Course offers a well-appointed pro shop, full-service restaurant for breakfast and lunch, professional instruction and excellent practice facilities. Electric carts, handcarts and clubs are available for rent.

1054 ALISAL ROAD, 805.688.6411 RANCHCOURSE.COM



THE MISSION CLUB

A Ted Robinson designed the course that takes full advantage of a beautiful natural setting with stately oaks and mature pine trees framing the fairways, leading to undulating and terraced greens. It is a course you'll never grow tired of playing and is 6,546 yards from championship tees par 72. The Mission Club is one of the friendliest clubs with one of the nicest golf courses in all of California and offers a clubhouse with restaurant and full service bar and beautiful panoramic views.

4300 CLUBHOUSE ROAD, 805.733.3535 MISSIONCLUBGOLF.COM



ALISAL RIVER COURSE

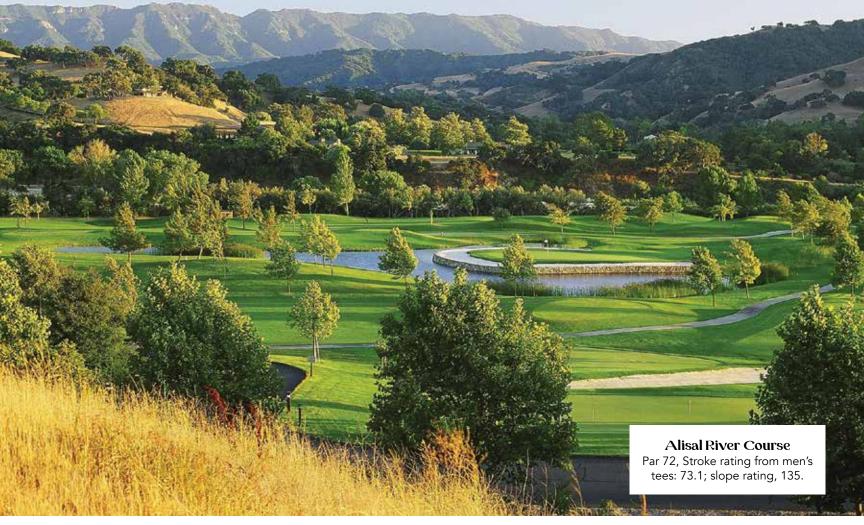
The Alisal River Course presents golfers with breathtaking panoramas of the brilliant hues of the foothills and the Santa Ynez Mountains and Valley. The course features four lakes and often follows the meandering path of the Santa Ynez River. Gentle mounds define the manicured fairways and bentgrass greens accented by mature live oaks, native sycamores and elderberry trees, creating a "must play" golf experience for all. At 6,830 yards the layout is challenging, but not punishing. The strategic placement of a variety of hazards rewards length & accuracy without severely penalizing recreational golfers.

150 ALISAL ROAD, 805.688.6042 RIVERCOURSE.COM



PLACE

La Purisima Par 72, Stroke rating from men's tees: 74.9; slope rating, 143.



Alisal Ranch Course Par 72, Stroke rating from men's tees: 71.9; slope rating, 128.

The Mission Club Par 72, Stroke rating from men's tees: 71.9; slope rating, 125.

the SYV A perfect blend of work & play

nown as a world-class destination for special events, corporate retreats, family reunions, weekend getaways and weddings, the Valley is at the top of the list for event planners from San Francisco to San Diego. The variety of unique venues sprinkled throughout the region can accommodate everything from an intimate party of seven to a large group of 700. The area's inspiring offerings allow guests to work hard and play even harder. Block some time on the schedule to go wine tasting, hiking, gambling, or simply relax in the beautiful Valley setting. It's a dreamy place to gather and celebrate special occasions. The consistently sunny days, mild year-round climate and romantic backdrop create memorable outdoor celebrations and fairy-tale sunset weddings. For your next corporate meeting, why not trade in the boardroom for a wine cave or a "Zoom" call for a lakeside picnic?

HERE LOCAL INDUSTRY PROS SHARE WHY THEY <u>LOVE</u> TO MEET. GREET. AND GATHER TO PLAY HOST IN THE SYV.



"Sun-soaked and full of personality, our unique town of Solvang is the perfect place to meet, greet and gather. In the heart of downtown lies The Landsby, with everything you need for an off-site meeting, wine dinner on the town or an intimate wedding surrounded by your closest friends and family."

> Leslie Inlow Director of Marketing The Landsby



"At the intersection of rolling hills, lush luxury and perfect weather is our home in Santa Ynez Valley. Ideal for grand weddings, press-worthy product launches or gala dinners celebrating life's milestones, our idealistic location at Santa Ynez Inn can't be beaten. Meet, greet and gather at the epicenter of sophistication."

> Kristopher McLaughlin General Manager Santa Ynez Inn

"Nestled in beautiful wine country, 30 minutes to the beach or the top of Figueroa Mountain, Santa Ynez Valley is a true gem. The natural beauty draws you in, but the community and culture of hospitality make this destination feel like a second home."

> Lia Barth Marketing & Communications Manager **Alisal Ranch**



Santa Ynez Valley is the Host with the Most!



"The Santa Ynez Valley is bursting with options for the active traveler. Flying Flags in Buellton is like the neighborhood in which you wish you grew up. With RVs, glamping and cabins to choose from as your home base, you will find great outdoor spaces like a grassy amphitheater, three pools, bocce courts and a dog park. It's also an ideal setting for a wedding, RV group or family gatherings."

> Charity Baxter **Director of Operations Highway West Vacations - Flying Flags**

Meet Here

ALISAL RANCH alisal.com

THE BALLARD INN ballardinn.com

CHUMASH CASINO RESORT chumashcasino.com

CIRCLE V RANCH CAMP circlevranchcamp.com

FESS PARKER WINE COUNTRY INN fessparkerinn.com

FLYING FLAGS highwaywestvacations.com

FORFRIENDS INN forfriendsinn.com

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SANTA YNEZ INN santaynezinn.com

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY MARRIOTT marriott.com

SIDEWAYS INN highwaywestvacations.com

SOLVANG FESTIVAL THEATER solvang the aterfest.org

SUNSTONE VINEYARDS & WINERY sunstonewinery.com

THE MAKER'S SON themakersson.com

THE TAVERN AT ZACA CREEK zaca-creek.com

VINLAND HOTEL & LOUNGE vinlandhotelandlounge.com

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bellsrestaurant.com

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OSTERIA GRAPPOLO osteriagrappolo.com

PEASEANTS FEAST peaseantsfeast.com

COAST RANGE RESTAURANT PICO RESTAURANT coastrange.restaurant

ELLIE'S TAP + VINE elliestapandvine.com

FIRST AND OAK firstandoak.com

GIORGIO'S AT PARKWAY giorgiosarparkway.com

LEONARDO'S leonardoscucina.com S.Y. KITCHEN sykitchen.com

SEAR STEAKHOUSE searsteakhouse.com

THE TAVERN AT ZACA CREEK zaca-creek.com

VALLEY PIGGERY valleypiggery.com

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BREAKAWAY TOURS & EVENT PLANNING breakaway-tours.com

For more info go to visitsyv.com

losalamosgeneralstore.com

CALENDAR

Winter, Spring, Summer & Fall, the SYV's got it all! Food, drink and art take center stage, with festivals, parades and events celebrating (& serving up) everything from olives to æbleskiver. + MUSIC, THEATER AND SPORTS TO SATISFY EVERY FAN AND ENTHUSIAST'S PALATE.

Here's a seasonal sampler highlighting a host of popular annual happenings. Please check the official event websites for current info and to confirm dates.

WINTER

DECEMBER

Solvang Julefest: (Yule-fest) Solvang's lightfilled holiday celebration features free visits with Santa, an interactive Nisse (Christmas Elf) hunt, candlelight tours, a nightly light and music show, open houses, the Annual Tree Lighting and the Saturday Parade. Enjoy extended hours at shops, tasting rooms and eateries, a maker's market and more magical events. solvangjulefest.org



Santa Ynez Small Town

Christmas: Witness the lighting of the largest Christmas tree in the Valley, along with the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus, visits with Santa, live entertainment, cookies and cider. 805.350.8517, santaynezchamber.org

Olde-Fashioned Christmas in Los Olivos:

Activities for the entire family, including various crafts for the kids and shopping for adults and a Gingerbread Wonderland fundraiser at St. Mark's-in-the-Valley. Los Olivos, losolivosca.com

Buellton WinterFest: Breakfast with Santa, enjoy an afternoon holiday concert, and an evening of fun on the Avenue of Flags featuring 20 tons of snow, music, food, wine, beer, spirits, vendors, a light parade and tree lighting. discoverbuellton.com

JANUARY

Annual Christmas Tree Burn & Safety

Demonstration: Community Christmas trees are piled high in a huge bonfire. Enjoy free live music, plus food and warm drinks for purchase. 5-7 pm. 1760 Mission Drive, 805.688.7529, cityofsolvang.com

Santa Ynez Valley Restaurant Weeks:

Participating restaurants offer a variety of delectable 3-course menus that highlight the Valley's farm-fresh bounty and many awardwinning area chefs' culinary creativity for \$30, \$40 and \$50. dinesyv.com

SPRING

MARCH

Buellton Wine and Chili Fest: Sample wine, craft brews and spirits; try chili and salsa made by competing local chefs, plus live entertainment at Flying Flags RV Resort. 805.688.7829, buelltonwineandchilifestival.com

Alisal Ranch BBQ Bootcamp: Twice a year (Spring & Fall), participants learn about all

things barbeque from in-house and guest experts. The three-day event is packed with exciting workshops, outdoor activities and excellent dining. 805.693.4208, alisal.com

APRIL

Annual Easter Eggstravaganza and Easter Egg Hunt: The Valley's largest egg hunt starts at 10:00

am sharp at River View Park in Buellton. Free fun with activities, group games, Easter crafts and more! For info, go to solvangusa.com or discoverbuellton.com.

MAY

Buellton Brew Fest: This annual festival features libations from 50+ breweries, wineries and distilleries, along with live entertainment. Enjoy a great assortment of food trucks, vendors, lawn games and mega-sized beer pong! River View Park in Buellton. buelltonbrewfest.com

Santa Barbara Wine Country Half

Marathon: Run a scenic course from downtown Santa Ynez through Los Olivos to Solvang. Celebrate at the post-race Wine & Music Festival in Solvang Park. destinationraces.com

SUMMER

JUNE

Los Olivos Jazz & Olive Festival: Savor local wines paired with food prepared by over 30 chefs, plus olive product vendors and world-class live jazz. Lavinia Campbell Park, downtown Los Olivos, jazzandolivefestival.org

JULY

Independence Day Parade, Festival & Fourth of July Fireworks Solvang: The parade starts at 11:00, followed by a BBQ at Solvang Park, and afternoon activities and evening fireworks at 9:00 at Old Mission Santa Inés. solvangsua.com

Buellton BBO Bonanza: Enjoy a barbeque, activities, demonstrations and learn about local clubs and organizations. River View Park, discoverbuellton.com

AUGUST

Wine and Fire: Winemaking members of the Sta. Rita Hills Winegrowers Alliance showcase wines with an opening party Friday night, followed by a weekend of seminars, wine tasting and exclusive dinners. staritahills.com FALL SEPTEMBER

Annual Solvang Danish Days: Celebrate Solvang's Danish heritage with authentic foods, live entertainment, dancing, parades (Torchlight on Friday night, Main Parade on Saturday and Children's on Sunday), artisans, living history exhibits, æbleskiver breakfasts, beer and wine gardens and more. solvangdanishdays.org

Los Alamos Valley Old Days: The community gathers to celebrate the town's authentic Western heritage with the Chili Kick-off and dance, tri-tip sandwiches and beer garden, Old Days Stampede 5-K Run, classic car show, artisan's faire and Sunday morning parade. losalamosvalleyolddays.com

OCTOBER

Santa Ynez Valley Scarecrow Fest: Enjoy more than 200 scarecrows around the Valley throughout the month, with the public invited to vote for their favorites. syvscarecrows.com

Chumash Inter-Tribal Pow-Wow: Head to Live Oak Campground for a day of Native American music, dance contests, drum competitions, food, arts and crafts, pottery, jewelry and more. santaynezchumash.org

39th Annual Santa Barbara Vintners Festival: The weekend's highlight is the Festival Grand Tasting on Saturday, where guests can enjoy new release wines from 70+ wineries, tastings from 30+ food purveyors, live music, wine and culinary demonstrations, local artisans and a silent auction. Get a Vintners Visa Wine Country Tasting Pass for complimentary offerings at up to 12 out of 40+ participating wineries and tasting rooms from Thursday through Monday. sbvintnersweekend.com

Los Olivos Day in the Country: Small-town charm and the friendly Los Olivos lifestyle are paired with great food, fun runs, a parade, vendor booths and live music. Grand Avenue, Los Olivos, losolivosca.com



Solvang Halloween Haunted House and Street Fest: 6:00-9:30 pm. Family-friendly fun in the transformed Solvang Festival Theater, accompanied by food, drinks and games. 805.688.7529, cityofsolvang.com

Santa Ynez Halloween Street Faire: Live music, food vendors, a costume contest, candy, free pony rides, a tricycle racetrack and bounce houses make this a fun family celebration. 5:00-8:00 pm. 805.350.8517, santaynezchamber.org

NOVEMBER

Buellton Holiday Bazaar: Start your holiday shopping early and enjoy all of the creative talent the area has to offer. Free admission. Buellton Rec Center - 301 2nd Street, 805.688.1086, buelltonrec.com

> **Buellton Fall Festival:** Family fun abounds at this festival and carnival, including games and rides (with a Ferris Wheel on Avenue of the Flags), 25+ bands on two stages, a street fair, food vendors and free admission. discoverbuellton.com

Vaquero Show & Sale: Celebrate the lifestyle and renowned horsemanship of the California Vaquero, and enjoy food, demonstrations and live music. Held annually at The Santa Ynez Valley Historical Museum and Parks-Janeway Carriage House, 805.688.7889, santaynezmuseum.org

YEAR-ROUND & SEASONAL

Solvang Village Farmers Market: Every Wednesday, featuring local and organic produce, meats, herbs, cheeses, jams, honey, flowers and more at First Street between Mission Drive and Copenhagen Drive, 2:30-6:30 Summer, 2:30-5:30 Winter, sbfarmersmarket.org

JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER



PCPA Pacific Conservatory Theatre

presents critically acclaimed, professional productions under the stars from June through October at Solvang Festival Theater. The 2023 schedule includes a stellar lineup of comedies, drama, music and more. The exciting 2023 season productions include Emma, Bright Star, America Mariachi and The Book of Will. 420 Second Street, pcpa.org

Want to plan your own Valley event? Turn to pages 2-83 for all the local info or head to visitSYV.com





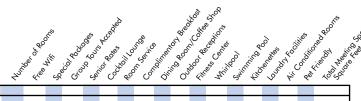
Taste of The Santa Ynez Valley



This annual signature event hosted by **Visit the Santa Ynez Valley** takes place every fall in the six Santa Ynez Valley wine country towns of Los Alamos, Santa Ynez, Los Olivos, Solvang, Ballard and Buellton. Guests are treated to four days of immersive experiences—a townwide **progressive dinner**, **VIP wine tastings** and **seminars**, **cooking classes**, **winemaker dinners**, **live music** and more—all crafted to serve as an introductory course to the edible and imbibe-able bounty of this burgeoning food, wine and beer destination. For more information and updates on what's in store for the **2023** event visit **tastesyv.com**.



Santa Ynez Valley Lodging Guide



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12. Alamo Motel 425 Bell Street, Los Alamos, CA 93440 (805) 344-2852, www.rememberthealamomotel.com	21	•		•						•				•	•	•	•	
13. Skyview Los Alamos 9150 US-101, Los Alamos, CA 93440 (805) 344-0104, www.skyviewlosalamos.com	33	•	•			•		•	•	•			•			•	•	
14. Victorian Mansion Bed & Breakfast 326 Bell Street, Los Alamos, CA 93440 (805) 344-1300, www.thevick.com	6	•	•	•				•				•				•		
Los OLIVOs 15. Fess Parker Wine Country Inn 2860 Grand Avenue, Los Olivos, CA 93441 (805) 688-7788, (800) 446-2455, www.fessparkerinn.com	19	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			•		330
 16. The Inn at Mattei's Tavern 2350 Railway Avenue, Los Olivos, CA 93441 (805) 695-4784, www.aubergeresorts.com/matteistavern/ 	67	•				•	•		•	•	•		•			•	•	6,252
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17. ForFriends Inn 1121 Edison Street, Santa Ynez, CA 93460 (805) 693-0303, www.forfriendsinn.com	14	•	•	•	•				•	•	•		•			•		600
18. Santa Ynez Inn 3627 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez, CA 93460 (805) 688-5588, 800-643-5724, www.santaynezinn.com	20	•	•	•	•	_	•	·	•	•	•	•				•	•	2,000
SOLVANG 19. Alisal Ranch 1054 Alisal Road, Solvang, CA 93463	73	•	•												•			25,498
(805) 688-6411, (800) 425-4725, www.alisal.com 20. Atterdag Inn 467 Atterdag Road, Solvang, CA 93463	8	•	•		•	-												23,470
(805) 691-9125, www.atterdaginn.com 21. The Hadsten 1450 Mission Drive, Solvang CA 93463	71					-			_			•			_			1,366
(805) 688-3210, (800) 457-5373, www.hadstenhouse.com *** 22. Hamlet Inn 1532 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463	15			•		-	_		_			-	-		_	•	-	1,500
(805) 688-4413, www.thehamletinn.com 23. Hotel Corque 400 Alisal Road, Solvang, CA 93463	122		-					-				•			_	•		7,500
(805) 688-8000, (800) 624-5572, www.hotelcorque.com *** 24. Hotel Ynez 2644 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93464	122	-	•	•			-	-	-	•		•	•		_	•		7,500
(805) 697-5444, www.hotelynez.com 25. King Frederik Inn 1617 Copenhagen Drive, Solvang, CA 93463 (805) 688-5515, (800) 549-9955, www.kingfrederikinn.com ◆		•			-	-	-	-						•		_		
26. Kronborg Inn at Wine Country Manor 1440 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463	46	•	•	•	•	-		·		•		•	•			•		600
(805) 688-2383, www.kronborginn.com 27. The M Solvang 293 Alisal Road, Solvang, CA 93463	39 24	•	•	•		-		•				•	•			•		
(805) 688-4404, (888) 688-4404, www.themsolvang.com 28. Mirabelle Inn & Restaurant 409 First Street, Solvang, CA 93463		•		•	•	-		-	•					•		•		
(805) 688-1703, (800) 786-7925, www.mirabelleinn.com 29. New Haven Inn 271 Alisal Road, Solvang, CA 93463	12	•	•	·		·	•	·	•	•						•		
(805) 618-8541, www.newhavensolvang.com 30. Royal Copenhagen Inn 1579 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463	10	•			•	-		-								·		
(805) 688-5561, (800) 624-6604, www.royalcopenhageninn.com ◆◆ 31. Solvang Inn & Cottages 1518 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463	49	•		•	•	_		•		•			•			•	•	763
(805) 688-4702, (800) 848-8484, www.solvanginandcottags.com ◆◆ 32. Svendsgaard's Lodge 1711 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463	36	•	•	•	•	_		·				•	•	•		•	•	
(805) 688-3277, (800) 733-8757, www.svendsgaardslodge.com ++	48	•		٠	•	_		·				•	•	•		·		
33. The Landsby 1576 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463 (805) 688-3121, www.thelandsby.com •••	50	•	•	٠	•	·			•	•						•	•	2,980
34. Viking Motel 1506 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463 (805) 688-1337, www.vikingmotelsolvang.com ◆	13	•		•	•			·								•	•	
35. Vinland Hotel & Lounge 1455 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463 (805) 688-2018, www.vinlandhotelandloungecom	82	•	•	•		·	•					•	•			•	•	925
36 Wine Valley Inn and Cottages 1564 Copenhagen Drive, Solvang, CA 93463 (805) 688-2111, (800) 824-6444, www.winevalleyinn.com ◆◆◆	65	•	•	•	•			•		•	•	•		•		•	•	
37. The Winston 486 C First Street, Solvang, CA 93463 (805) 688-2965, www.thewinstonsolvang.com	14	•	•	•				•								•	•	350
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Getting Around the Valley



CAR RENTAL

Hertz (Located at the Marriott in Buellton) 555 McMurray Road, Buellton, 805.688.4398, hertz.com

BY BUS

Santa Ynez Valley Transit: Mon-Sat Service 805.688.5452, cityofsolvang.com

Clean Air Express: Santa Ynez to Goleta/Santa Barbara, 805.692.1902, cleanairexpress.com

Wine Country Express: 805.736.7666, lompoctransit.com Connects the city of Lompoc with the SYV. Runs M-F. Chumash Casino Shuttle: 800.247.7919, chumashcasino.com

FOR FUN

Moke Experience Solvang: 1510 Mission Drive, 866.523.6653 SB Wine Country Cycling Tours: 1693 Mission Drive, 888.557.8687

Wheel Fun Rentals: 1564 Copenhagen Drive, 805.688.0091 Dr. J's Bicycle Shop: 1693 Mission Drive, 805.688.6263

Solvang Trolley and Carriage Company: 1618 Copenhagen Drive, 805.794.8958, solvangtrolley.com

Vino Vaqueros: Private, 90 minute horseback rides, 805.944.0493, vinovaqueros.com

What To Pack

Warm, sometimes downright hot sunny days and refreshingly cool mornings and evenings demand **lightweight jackets** or **sweaters** to put on and take off accordingly. **Comfortable shoes** are essential for tasting room-hopping and strolling downtown for shopping. Top off your look with a **hat** to keep cool. Remember those hot sunny days we mentioned? Keep your **reusable water bottle** on hand because the sun + wine tasting + walking (a lot) can = dehydration. Unless it's a formal wedding, no suits or ties are required in the casual comfort of the SYV.

Plan The Perfect Day

Download the **Discover Santa Ynez Valley!** app from the App Store, Google Play, or go to **visitsyv.visitwidget.com** from your mobile browser to make your plans in advance, bring them with you and edit on the go! An **interactive** way to map out everything you don't want to miss in the Santa Ynez Valley, this tool provides a new way to explore what the Valley has to offer, including **hotels**, popular **restaurants**, **activities**, **shopping** and more.

Getting Here

Located in northern Santa Barbara County, California, the Santa Ynez Valley is just 35 miles from the beaches of Santa Barbara, 125 miles up the coast from Los Angeles and 300 miles south of San Francisco.

BY CAR

The region is easily accessible via **U.S. Highway 101** and **State Highways 154** & **246**.

BY RAIL

Amtrak train service is available daily via transfers to Amtrak Thruway Coach from Santa Barbara, with connecting bus service to Solvang. 800.872.7245, amtrak.com

BY AIR

Santa Barbara Municipal Airport (SBA): 30 miles south, 805.967.7111, santabarbaraca.gov

Santa Maria Public Airport (SMX): approx. 35 miles north, 805.922.1726, santamariaairport.com

Los Angeles International Airport (LAX): approx. 125 miles south (allow at least 2-3 hours drive time from LAX due to traffic), 310.646.5252, lawa.org Santa Ynez Airport (IZA): for private aircraft landings. 900 Airport Road, 805.688.8390, santaynezairport.com

Central Coast Shuttle Services: (to LAX): 800.470.8818, centralcoastshuttle.com

Wine Country Tours

Locally based companies offer a variety of ways to see the SYV and Wine Country.

Artisan Excursion Wine Tours: 805.734.7565, artisanexcursion.com Black Monarch: 805.294.0930, myblackmonarch.com Breakaway Tours & Event Planning: 805.783.2929, breakaway-tours.com Eat This, Shoot That!: 805.699.6719, eatthisshootthat.com Grapeline Wine Tours Santa Barbara: 888.894.6379, gogrape.com SB Wine Country Tours: 805.965.1414, winetours-santabarbara.com SB Wine Country Cycling Tours: 888.557.8687, winecountrycycling.com Stagecoach Co. Wine Tours: 805.686.8347, winetoursantaynez.com

Visitor Vitals

SYV Weather Stats: Average annual temperatures range from 76° F/32° C to 54° F/12° C. Summer highs 80°-90° F and winter lows to 40° F. August is typically

the warmest month and December the coolest. Average seasonal rainfall is 9-17 inches. February is typically the wettest month. **Economy:** Agriculture, ranching, the equine industry, and tourism drive the SYV economy.

Emergency Services: Dial 911 to reach police, fire or ambulance at any time. **EV Charging Stations:** Found throughout

downtown Solvang and the Chumash Casino. SYV Marriott in Buellton has Tesla EV Super Chargers.

Parking: Free throughout the Valley. Free daytime RV parking at the Solvang Veterans Memorial Hall lot, 1745 Mission Drive.

Population: Approximately 20,000 throughout the six communities.

Time Zone: Pacific Standard Time (PST), 8 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)

Visitor Centers: Buellton: 597 Avenue of Flags, Unit #101, 800.324.3800 and Solvang: 1639 Copenhagen Drive, 805.688.6144



Stroll around Western-style **Santa Ynez** to browse the well-curated boutiques—it's hands-down the best concentration of shopping in the Valley for women's clothing.





Demetria Estate serves up a gorgeous wine-tasting experience that makes you feel like you've been transported to Tuscany-with a Californian cowboy twist! It's a place you'll want to bring a picnic and linger for hours.

Finley Farms is the

most charming honorsystem farm stand. It's not uncommon to spot local chefs stocking up on their organic greens and whatever else is in season.



LOCAL LEADS

Writer and travel promoter **Shannon Brooks** doesn't have to venture far from home to find all sorts of adventure and fun! After years of city-slicker life, this self-professed bibliophile now has her roots planted firmly in the Santa Ynez Valley, where she loves to host visitors and shop locally for fresh fashion finds, produce and hats (more on that below). Here she shares a bit about herself, a little insider knowledge and a few of her favorite things to do, see and experience in the SYV.



Name: Shannon Brooks Profession: Writer & Travel Promoter Currently residing in: Santa Ynez Years in the Valley: 2*

* I grew up in nearby Lompoc and started my career in Santa Barbara, where I lived for a decade before leaving the Central Coast for stints in Sacramento and Los Angeles.

- Planning trips and hosting visitors bring me great joy.
- I love a good hat, and the Valley gives me many opportunities to wear them and add to my collection!
- ★ I'm a major bookworm. If you come to my house, chances are pretty high you'll leave with a book in hand—and I'll tell you to pass it along to someone else when you're done.

Follow @shannontbrooks on Instagram for more local tips, inspo and adventures.



Early Bird Gets The Bubbles Bar Le Côte is my go-to for an early dinner. They've got a great happy hour (50% off bottles of champagnel), incredible oysters and delicious seafood.

Harvest + Home

Elderflat Farm Store in **Los Alamos** is one of my favorite places to shop for produce from their nearby farm, plus other gourmet goodies and housewares. Pop into **Sisters Gifts** & **Home** next door to score awesome antiques and home décor finds.

Trail Tales

Horseback riding on the **Fess Parker Ranch** with Katie from **KAP Land & Cattle** is a very special experience between the stunning scenery, the majestic animals and Katie's entertaining stories about her grandfather and how she got into cattle ranching.



Honkey-Tonk Heaven Whenever I have visitors in town, we generally end up at the Maverick Saloon at least one night! I also enjoy their mellower Tales From the Tavern music series.



Caffeine + Community Queen Cup Coffee is my #1 coffee spot—the quality can't be beat, and the owners have created a lovely sense of community.





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