



## Welcome Wine Reception

*\$75 per guest*

While at Meadowood, your guests will be at the very heart of winegrowing in Napa Valley. Begin your stay with a welcome wine reception hosted by one of our resident sommeliers. We'll toast your arrival with local sparkling wine, offer a brief, entertaining history of Napa Valley and the rise to prominence of the local wines. We'll then introduce the wines selected for guests to sample with passed hors d'oeuvres over the course of the reception. Following opening remarks our sommelier will be available to guests who wish to ask questions about their favorite wines, wineries and vintners. Through this reception, your guests will begin to feel the pulse of the local wine community, setting the stage for a very rewarding and memorable visit.

## Wine Exploration Experiences

*8 or more guests, 60 minutes*

### SENSORY EVALUATION

*\$500 plus \$60 per guest*

Train your palate by matching specific flavors often found in wines to the wines themselves. Learn specific flavor profiles associated with popular varietals and also those added by common winemaking techniques, such as barrel aging in oak. The members of your group will learn how to critically evaluate wines the way professionals do by analyzing visual, flavor and structural elements to assess the quality and typicity of a wine. We will look at classically styled wines from around the world to determine benchmarks against which tasters can compare new wines. Learn how decisions made in the vineyard and in the winery affect the flavors of the wine. By learning the insider secrets of tasting you can demystify wine and make informed, confident buying decisions.

## NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*\$500 plus \$95 per guest*

This tasting is designed for guests with a passion for Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. We'll highlight diversity of Cabernet Sauvignons produced in various Napa Valley appellations by contrasting districts such as Rutherford, Oakville and Stag's Leap to mountain areas such as Spring Mountain, Howell Mountain and Diamond Mountain. Additionally, comparisons will be made between Napa Valley "standards" and "alt wines." After beginning with an overview of California and Napa Valley's history, geography, climate and winegrowing regions this session continues with a tasting illustrating the diversity of Napa Valley wines, including a flight of varietals from different appellations.

## FOOD & WINE PAIRING THEORY

*\$500 plus \$65 per guest*

What are the key factors to matching wine and food and what are the 'rules of thumb' that no longer apply with modern cuisine? Learn various techniques for matching the flavor and textural elements of foods with beverages to confidently enhance the flavors of both. One of our resident sommeliers can show you simple guidelines to make it work along with more subtle techniques to accent a special wine or meal.

## NAPA VALLEY VS. THE WORLD

*\$500 plus \$65 per guest*

During this session we will make head-to-head comparisons of benchmark grapes around the world and the Napa Valley's interpretations of each. Through tasting these wines side-by-side you'll be able to see how climate, soil and winemaking philosophies and techniques alter these classic grapes.

*Price for each experience includes sommelier, selected wines, food (if applicable),  
crackers (if no food items), notepad, pen, tasting mat, aroma wheels, tasting grid (if applicable) and private location.*



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