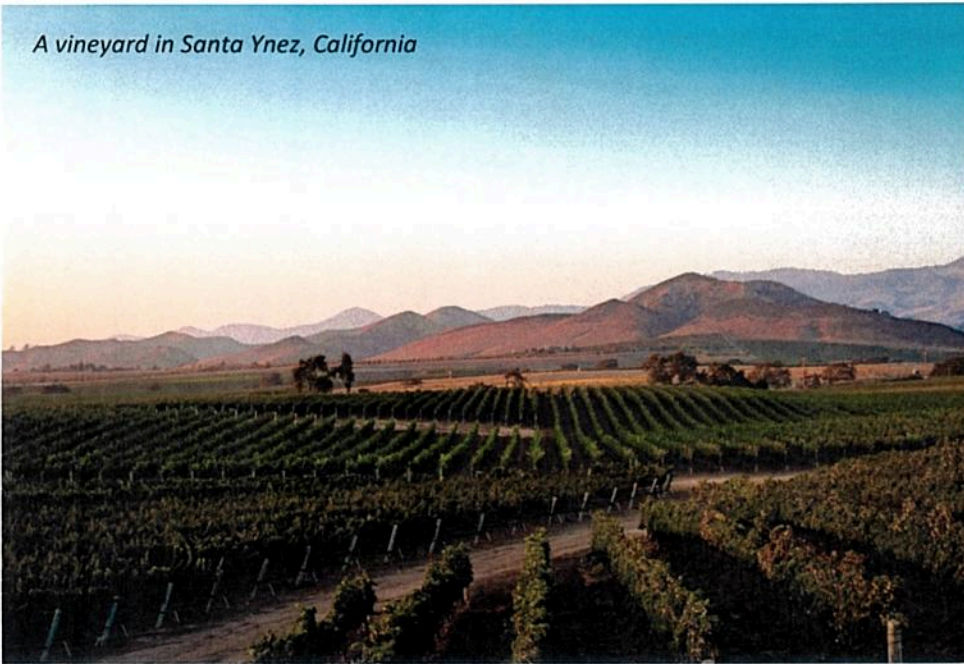


A vineyard in Santa Ynez, California



Tour: CTSB19

**\$2,799 dbi**

Single supplement \$759

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## Santa Barbara Wine Tour September 21 – 25, 2019

*5 days, 4 nights*

### Day 1: Saturday, September 21, 2019 • Depart Chicago

Upon arrival at Los Angeles International Airport we meet our guide and driver and together we transfer to Santa Barbara. We stop at Getty Villa along the way. There we have lunch accompanied by a glass of wine and relax a little bit after our flight. We then take a tour and explore the ancient architecture and a Roman villa garden. Later we continue to Santa Barbara and our hotel. Evening is at leisure. L

### Day 2: Sunday, September 22, 2019 • Santa Barbara - Santa Ynez - Santa Barbara

Today we make our way into Santa Ynez Valley, a place that should not be missed by any wine lover. The area with strong

rural flavor produces more than 1 million cases of wine a year. Most of the wineries are small, family owned and boutique operations. We begin at Bridlewood Winery where we discover what makes the winery a leading estate vineyard in the valley. A seated black glass tasting challenge is ready for us at the end of our tour. Next, we visit Rancho Olivos and taste some of their delicious fresh artisan extra virgin olive oil. We then transfer to Sunstone Vineyards and Winery for the ultimate winery experience including private wine tasting, a tour of the caves and wine production facility, and a gourmet family style buffet lunch served on rustic platters in a beautiful estate setting. We return to Santa Barbara this afternoon. Our dinner is at Toma Restaurant where we delight in

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### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ★ Getty Villa
- ★ Santa Ynez Valley
- ★ Bridlewood Winery
- ★ Ranchos Olivos
- ★ Sunstone Vineyards & Winery
- ★ Dinner at Toma Restaurant
- ★ San Luis Obispo
- ★ Hearst Castle
- ★ Babcock Winery and Vineyards
- ★ Lompoc Murals

### TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- ★ Double occupancy accommodations as listed or similar
- ★ Deluxe motorcoach transportation for touring and airport transfers
- ★ Meals as indicated in itinerary
- ★ Admission to all activities indicated in the itinerary
- ★ Services of a professional tour guide
- ★ Luggage handling for 1 piece
- ★ All taxes and tips for provided services except coach driver and tour guide

**Non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person to reserve your space  
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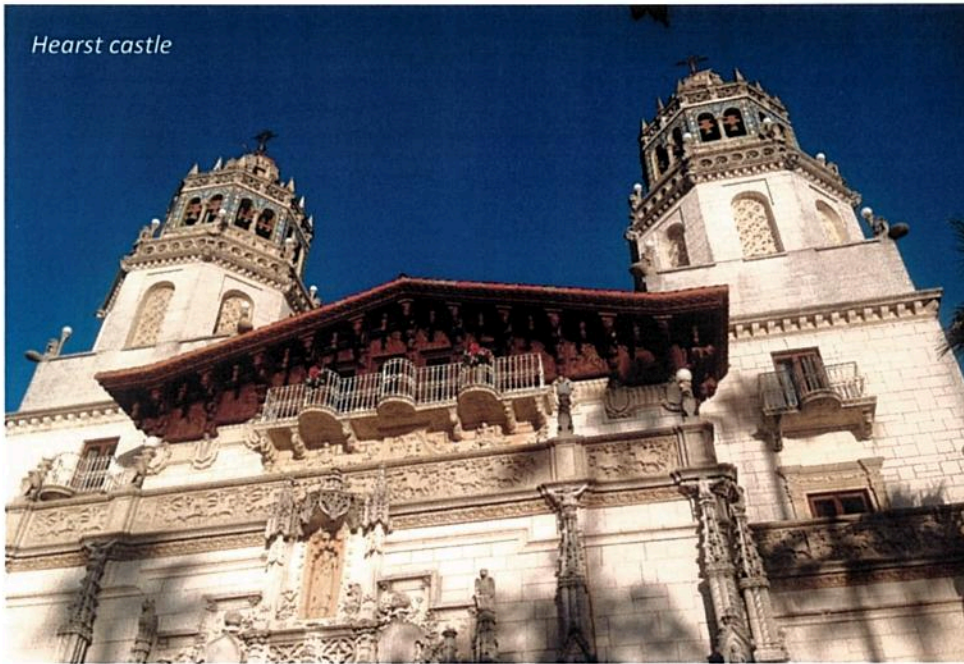
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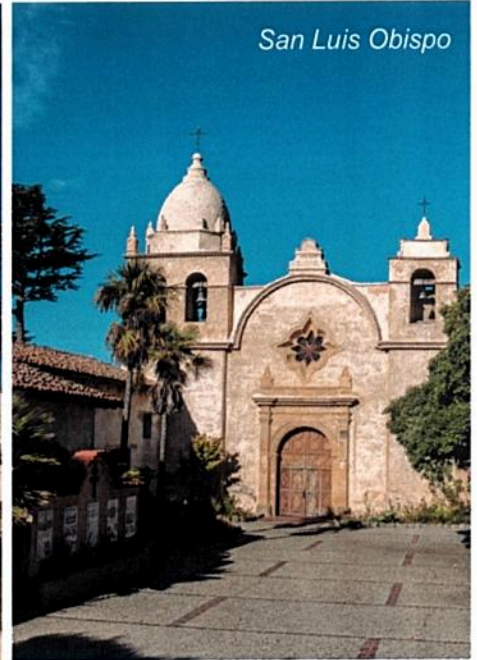
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San Luis Obispo



handcrafted cuisine from locally sourced ingredients paired with carefully selected local wines. **B, L, D**

**Day 3: Monday, September 23, 2019 • Santa Barbara - San Luis Obispo - San Simeon - Santa Barbara**

Today we take an excursion to San Luis Obispo and San Simeon. We visit Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa, a church founded in 1772 by Father Junípero Serra. There we learn how this church was built over many years, who is buried in the floors (and walls) of the church and the story behind the centuries old art. We stop at the tasting room at Sebastian's to sample the wines of Hearst Ranch Winery. We enjoy a quaint and inviting place where old remains together with the copper bar top and rustic barn wood siding takes us back in time when old San Simeon village was the center of rural

trade. We arrive at Hearst Castle Visitor Center located at the bottom of the hill. After lunch and souvenir shopping time, we take a tour of the opulent social rooms of Hearst Castle and learn about its founder William Randolph Hearst. Later we return to Santa Barbara and have the evening to seek individual interests. **B, L**

**Day 4: Tuesday, September 24, 2019 • Santa Barbara – Lompoc – Santa Barbara**

Another interesting day is in front of us. We drive up north to Lompoc, known as the flower seed capital of the world. We visit Babcock Winery and Vineyards established in 1978 by Walter and Mona Babcock. Still family owned and operated, the winery is in the hands of their son, Bryan Babcock, who was named to a list of Top Ten Small Production Winemakers in the World by the prestigious James Beard Foundation. After winetasting, we transfer

to town to see one of its top attractions – Lompoc Murals! Lompoc has 40 murals on street corners, in alley ways and on sides of buildings portraying scenes of the city's heritage, flower industry, historic sights, ethnic diversity and more. We have time for lunch on our own and a quick visit to one of the 20 wineries and tasting rooms that are part of the Wine Ghetto. We return to Santa Barbara for last-minute shopping. Dinner is also on our own tonight. **B**

**Day 5: Wednesday, September 25, 2019 • Return to Chicago**

We check out of our hotel and stop for brunch at Finch & Fork, a stylish restaurant offering new American dishes made with fresh local ingredients. Unfortunately, everything must come to the end. After brunch, we transfer to Los Angeles for our returning flight home. **B**

