Wine Tour Central CA Coast





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Tour Summary

Enjoying wine in a beautiful, natural setting makes the Central Coast of California a special place to visit. The San Luis Obispo County region boasts hundreds of wineries, and in the northern coastal section there are a number of tasting rooms to visit. But that's not all there is for a visitor to see and do in this area. You can enjoy hiking in three nature reserves, fish off piers in three towns, surf the good waves, go sea kayaking, and swim in the cool waters of the Pacific. There are antiques and art galleries, shops, and museums to explore, and, of course, lots and lots of wine to enjoy!

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Wine Tasting & Touring





On this tour of California's beautiful central coast, we will take you to the Piedras Blancas Light Station, which was established in 1875 to protect ships from going aground on the rocky shore. The light station is being restored and our tour will give you the history behind it, as well as show you some of the fantastic wildlife that is just offshore.



Then we will visit the beaches adjacent to the lighthouse, where you can see up to 4,000 elephant seals that come ashore every year to give birth and mate.



Our tour will take you to the gate of the most popular attraction on the Central Coast of California, Hearst Castle: a State Historical Monument and the former home of newspaper publisher William Randolph

Hearst. There are guided tours available that include the main residence, the Neptune pool and indoor pool, guest houses, and the gardens. You will see artwork, sculpture, tapestries and more, that Hearst collected from around the world. Guides will tell you about his life and the many film stars that visited the castle.



We'll take you along the coast on famous Highway 1, with stops to hike along the Cambria shoreline: you might see passing gray whales on their migration.



There will be time for shopping, and if you love vintage things you will enjoy our stop in Cayucos, the antique capital of the Central Coast.



Then we'll visit the tiny hamlet of Harmony on Highway 1, where we will taste a sample at Harmony Cellars Winery.



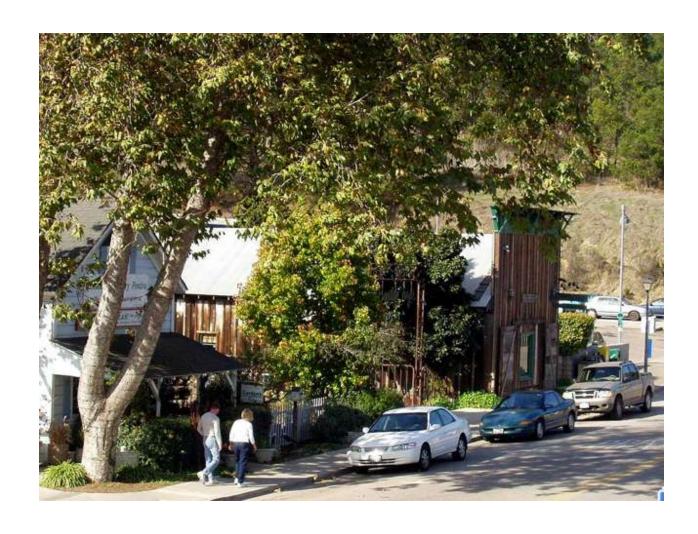
Our tour will continue with a drive along the back roads just east of Cambria. You will see many small family farms, some of which offer lodging as bed-and-breakfasts, as well as opportunities to pick your own fresh fruits and vegetables.



We will also spend time at a variety of picturesque nature reserves, where you can hike along the shore, explore tidepools, and search for gray whales and sea otters.



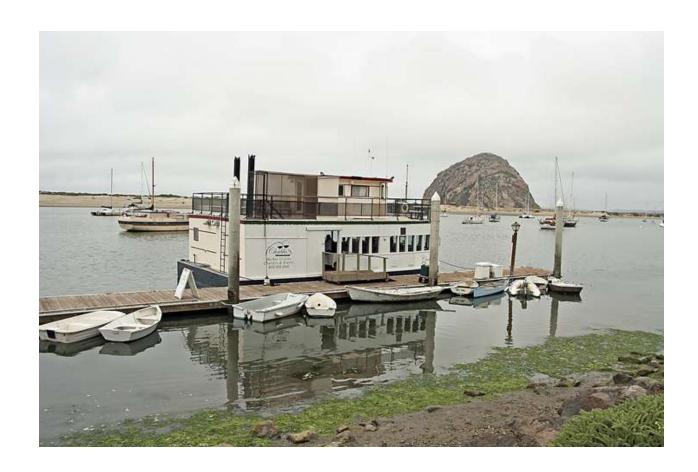
We'll go for a drive up Old Creek Road outside Cayucos, as it wends its way from the coast to the northern part of the county and the Paso Robles Wine Region.



Our visit to the towns along this section of the Central Coast will introduce you to topquality restaurants, accommodations, galleries, and shops.



Many talented artists live and work here: we will visit art galleries in Cambria, Cayucos, and Morro Bay to see their work, which is inspired by this scenic coastal area.



And finally, we visit Morro Bay and take you on a cruise. You will enjoy a champagne brunch while observing the beautiful birds and abundant wildlife of this unique area...

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