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Raymond Vineyards and Wine Train team up on new tour

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The Napa Valley Wine Train and St. Helena's Raymond Winery are offering a new tour and wine tasting that takes guests into a behind-the-scenes look at the family winery and then on to the train for a gourmet lunch.

Upon arriving at Raymond's "Theater of Nature," the winery tour will begin with an introduction to Raymond's history and organic farming practices. After sampling Raymond's sauvignon blanc, guests will walk between the vine rows, sample the grapes and discuss winemaking practices with the winemaking team. As they continue to sample Raymond wines, both reds and whites, they can enjoy a unique activity with a sensory evaluation designed to help identify the flavors and aromas in wine.

The tour then joins the Wine Train at one of its scheduled Upvalley stops. Guests enjoy a three-course gourmet lunch as the train slowly returns to Napa.

Cost is \$139 per person and includes the winery tour, bus transportation, gourmet lunch, sales tax and train fare. Tour starts at 10:15 a.m. and finishes at 2:30 p.m. For more information visit www.winetrain.com.

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