

## 8 Ways to Experience a Russian River Renaissance

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It's a new day at Sonoma County DeLoach Vineyards! I was on hand as the Sonoma County winery celebrated their renovation and Russian River Valley renaissance. I also got to take part in their all new fun and fresh educational wine tasting experiences. Wine lovers get the chance to taste wine and get hands on, experiencing the Russian River Valley in revolutionary way. DeLoach Vineyards proprietor Jean-Charles Boisset is a breath of fresh air and breathes new life into Sonoma County with DeLoach's transformation. The new look was inspired by the entrepreneurial pioneering spirit of the DeLoach family, Huguenots who emigrated from the Loire Valley of France to California in the 17th century and the Fleur de Lys, the longtime symbol of DeLoach Vineyards.



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### Jean-Charles Boisset, Proprietor DeLoach Vineyards



*"The Fleur de Lys has traditionally been used to represent French royalty. It is said to signify perfection, light and life. Due to its three petals, the Roman Catholic Church ascribed this "flower of the lily" as the special emblem of the Virgin Mary, which has also been used to represent the Holy Trinity. DeLoach is grateful to inherit this incredible and powerful symbol, which for us represents our holy trinity: Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Zinfandel and sustainable, organic and Biodynamic farming."*



Monique Soltani: The Magic of Wine and Mustard

DeLoach Vineyards has been a pioneering producer of Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Zinfandel in Sonoma's Russian River Valley since 1975. The Boisset family of Burgundy took over DeLoach Vineyards in 2003 and brought with them the techniques and approaches of Burgundy to winemaking in the Russian River Valley. Under Boisset, DeLoach has grown its small-lot vineyard designate wine program, become a certified organic and Biodynamic estate vineyard, and implemented traditional Burgundian winemaking techniques such as open-top wood fermentors, native yeast fermentations, and hand punch-downs. Wine & Spirits magazine named DeLoach Vineyards a Top 100 Winery for the twelfth time in the winery's history in 2012.

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Theater of Nature A self-guided tour

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through the vineyards and garden that illustrates and illuminates DeLoach's organic and Biodynamic® farming philosophy.

Les Libertines Cellar Taste limited production wines from our esteemed Estate vineyard surrounded by the style, fashion and excess of the 17th century French royal court. \$35

Barrel Tasting in the Royal Barrel Cellar Enjoy wines thieved directly from the barrel in the new Royal Barrel Cellar. Explore selections from various vineyards, including the DeLoach Estate and make a side-by-side comparison with their finished counterparts from earlier vintages. Saturday & Sunday between 12pm and 3pm. \$30

M.F.S. Blending Experience Inspired by the DeLoach Vineyards O.F.S. (Our Finest Selection) collection of wines, the M.F.S. Blending experience offers guests the opportunity to blend their own M.F.S (My Finest Selection), Russian River Valley Pinot Noir, complete with personal, custom wine label. Learn the winemaker's art while blending your own OFS Pinot Noir in the 90 minute Winemaker for A day experience. \$100

Vineyard Designate Tasting in the Appellation Room – Discover the nuances of DeLoach's diverse terroir with a flight of Vineyard Designate wines beneath a towering three-dimensional map of Sonoma County and surrounded by the profiles of vineyard partners. Available daily at 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm and 3pm. \$30

The Magic of Wine and Mustard In partnership with Falot Mustard (Burgundy France), learn about the wonderful world of wine and mustard as you stroll through the vineyard and garden, then make your own mustard from Dijon mustard seed. The tour ends with delicious mustard-inspired food and a flight of DeLoach wine. Available daily at 11am, 1pm and 2pm. \$40

Taste of Terroir Discover the Burgundian origins of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in this exclusive, guided tasting that features wines from the Boisset Collection of wineries in France served alongside a selection of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from California's nuanced terroir. Available daily at 11am, 1pm and 3:00pm by appointment. Minimum two people per tasting. \$50 – \$100

JCB Winery The JCB Winery unites the worlds of wine & fashion in a luxurious tasting experience that illuminates then transcends terroir, reaching beyond the traditional confines of wine to embody both style and sophistication.

Guests can also enjoy the Estate Garden & Grove, where they can purchase any of their favorite DeLoach wines and enjoy them with a custom picnic basket prepared by the winery. Most experiences are by appointment only and can be booked [online](#) or by calling 707.755.3309.

For more pictures of the All new DeLoach Vineyards and the Russian River Renaissance [CLICK HERE!](#)



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