

NOBLE HOUSE

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Whether it's a multi-million-dollar car collection in the canyons of western Colorado or a public art installation lurching off a seven-story building, some of the best attractions in Noble House destinations are also the most unlikely and unheard-of finds.

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RAYMOND VINEYARDS

St. Helena, CA

If you're looking for a traditional Napa Valley winery experience, then Raymond Vineyards is probably not for you. In fact, pretty much every-

thing about this winery is unconventional, starting with the fact that it's home to Napa Valley's first dog winery, Frenchie Winery (named and themed around proprietor Jean-Charles Boisset's beloved frenchie). Here, your dog will lounge out in his very own wine barrel bed while you peruse the rest of the

property's six uniquely themed rooms – two of which you can't miss: the Crystal Cellar and the Red Room. Bordered by stainless-steel walls, the Crystal Cellar is a dark and sultry space where mannequins dangle from the ceiling among crystal chandeliers, while the Red Room is an exclusive tasting room adorned in dark red velvet walls, seductive red couches, and a black onyx bar. Think of it kind of like 50 Shades Of Grey meets James Bond. raymondvineyards.com

ROOM TO ROAM
Raymond Vineyards is a stop along the **Napa Valley Wine Train** (p. 52, 800-427-4124, winetrain.com)