

# WINE COUNTRY *This Week*

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## Preservation Award Winners Partner to Offer Exclusive Access to their One-of-a-Kind Historic Properties & Wine Tastings

Following the 2016 Preservation Awards presented by The Sonoma League for Historic Preservation to Buena Vista Winery, Pangloss Cellars and Three Sticks Winery for their commitment to preservation of significant historic structures in Sonoma, the wineries have come together to offer the first annual Preservation Icons of Sonoma Tour and Wine Tasting benefiting the Sonoma League for Historic Preservation.

The tour offers a unique opportunity for historic preservation and wine enthusiasts to experience each property accompanied by in-depth discussions on the historical importance of each building, the extensive preservation efforts exercised to restore them, and premium wine tastings at each destination. The day will consist of uniquely curated experiences in which participants get a "behind the scenes" perspective on the restoration and evolution of these iconic properties of Sonoma.

The Preservation Icons of Sonoma Tour and Wine Tasting will take place Saturday, January 28, 2017 and will include three tour itineraries in which groups of 28 will start the day at 10:00 a.m. at one of the three historic properties. Each group will enjoy a 90-minute, one-of-a-kind tour with tasting focused on architectural restoration and preservation and then will transition to the next wine property until every group has completed the full program. The groups will join together for lunch at the Sonoma Depot Hotel and again at the end of the tour for coffee and sweets at the Sonoma League's Maysonnave House at 5:15 p.m. for an opportunity to discuss and revel in the day. Lunch is a three course meal designed by Gia Ghilarducci and her son Chef Antonio Ghilarducci of the Depot Hotel Restaurant. Enhanced by the setting in their beautifully restored plumstone building off of Sonoma's historic square, this will add to a full day of celebrating Sonoma's unique history of winemaking, cuisine and architecture.

Jean-Charles Boisset, Proprietor of Buena Vista Winery says of the tour, "Buena Vista's



future is its past. Our mission is to preserve and perpetuate the imaginative vision and unrivaled legacy of the winery's founder, Count Agoston Haraszthy, and to protect the first grand estate of the California wine world for everyone to discover. We're thrilled to offer our guests a unique opportunity to get an insider's look at our White House of wine through the Preservation Icons of Sonoma Tour."

"We are grateful to be able to share the restored home of Pangloss Cellars with the community," says winemaker Erich Bradley. "Old buildings have a unique character that simply cannot be replicated in new construction, so we have designed the Pangloss Cellars' experience to honor and embrace the unique history and physical beauty of this soulful place. In Sonoma, we believe we have found 'the best of all possible worlds,' and with our wines we aspire to share the best of it with you."

"We are so proud to be recognized by the Sonoma League for Historic Preservation and in the company of Pangloss Cellars and

Buena Vista Winery, two wineries which we greatly respect," says Bill Price, Proprietor of Three Sticks. "The Vallejo-Casteñada Adobe is incredibly special and our hope is that visitors and locals will be able to share in this unique space for years to come."

"Sonoma is the birthplace of the California wine industry and a town that takes its unique character, architecture and ambiance very much to heart," said Acting League President and Three Sticks COO, Prema Behan. "It was wonderful that the League chose to recognize wineries that significantly contributed to preserving Sonoma's rich architectural heritage and that those wineries have opted to give back to the League is very special."

Tickets for the Preservation Icons of Sonoma Winery Tour are available on Eventbrite for \$225 per person and the lucky first 84 guests will have the opportunity to take part in this unique historical experience. For more information, visit:

[www.eventbrite.com/e/preservation-icons-of-sonoma-tour-wine-tasting-tickets-6124774365](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/preservation-icons-of-sonoma-tour-wine-tasting-tickets-6124774365).