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## BEST WAYS TO VISIT THE NAPA VALLEY

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In California's Napa Valley, corks are popping, wine glasses are clinking and cabernets and chardonnays are again being sipped and savoured after catastrophic wildfires tore through America's famed wine region last October.

Though fewer than 20 wineries were lost out of 900 in Napa/Sonoma, visitor cancellations were massive, but tourists are returning surprised to find that it's not as bad as imagined.

The Napa Valley, 48km long and 8km wide, is just over an hour from San Francisco via the iconic Golden Gate Bridge on Highway 101.

### BUENA VISTA WINERY

This is California's oldest premium winery, founded in 1857 on Old Winery Rd. As you enjoy a flight of their current-release chardonnay and zinfandel, you'll step into caves to sip wines straight from a barrel and excellent bubbly in the newly renovated champagne cellar.

