

## Winter Weekend Getaway: Bardessono Napa

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There's no question that the coming months (years?) will be the filled with more uncertainty and weirdness than any of us really want to deal with. As such, we predict that stress-relieving activities – from hiding under the covers with your cats to getting cryogenically frozen – will see a huge uptick in popularity.

But for those not given to such extremes, a plush weekend spa getaway usual does the trick. Our preferred destination for such is Northern California wine country, which offers a particular opportunity to take one's mind almost completely off the state of current affairs. (And can be paired perfectly with a National Drink Wine Day celebration.)

And a recent visit to Napa reintroduced us to the impossible charms of Yountville, home to just 3,000 residents, as well as some of the most exalted restaurants, wineries and hotels in the world. And while traditional lodging options abound, our taste runs more to the contemporary – specifically the Bardessono resort and spa, where we recently spent a few blissful days.

## A Glamorous Tasting

There's a rule that wine tasting rooms outside of actual wineries have to combine the drinking with shopping for non-wine items – which is actually rather genius and potentially dangerous. We were floored by the JCB Tasting Salon, a multi-room establishment, where the décor just might rival Liberace's stage set in its opulence. It retails an amazing selection of gifts and food to go along with the vino.

