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7 Amazing Fall Wine Tours Across the U.S. and Canada

Revisit an old favorite region or discover somewhere new on these self-led wine tours.

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Napa Valley



California's wine country delivers on too many fronts to list here, but top billing goes to its stellar wines, jaw-dropping backdrops, and intimate DIY tasting tours (though there are a number of tour operators in the area who can help plan tasting itineraries or take you where you want to go). If you think you've seen all there is to see in Napa (impossible!), begin your tour at Cliff Lede Vineyards, where the art and music-themed blocks (e.g., "Dark Side of the Moon"), are almost as appealing as the Rock Block Cabernet Sauvignon. Opting for the Backstage Tasting will have you sipping Napa's bold flavors in a room featuring rotating art exhibits. Don't linger too long though because **Bouchaine Vineyards** is waiting to lure you in with its newly designed tasting room atop a hill, complete with incredible views. The Hyde Vineyard Chardonnay is rich, juicy, and balanced, and the Hyde Vineyard Syrah will turn you into a cheerleader of the oft-misunderstood grape.