



## **What's New in the Legendary Napa Valley – Summer 2010 Update**

There's always something fresh beckoning travelers to return to America's Great Wine Capital.

The Napa Valley is legendary as America's premier wine country destination. Moreover, the region consistently offers visitors a remarkable array of new and exciting experiences to discover. Be it a unique vineyard or wine tasting tour at celebrated multi-generational family wineries such as Cakebread Cellars or Trinchero Napa Valley, a food and wine pairing at one of the valley's world-class restaurants like French Laundry, Brix or Mustards Grill, or simply creating an oasis of calm at an iconic Napa Valley resort and spa such as Auberge du Soleil, Solage Calistoga or Meadowood Napa Valley – The Napa Valley invites guests to return time and again to enjoy the renowned establishments that are synonymous with Napa Valley as well as those new to the scene.

The coming months offer many new ways for guests to experience the natural bounties and delightful pursuits afforded by this welcoming wine region. Following are a few examples of what guests can look forward to during future visits to the legendary Napa Valley.

The Napa Valley welcomes the opening of the new Kenzo Estate winery and tasting room, the most recent addition to the wine region's esteemed community of winemakers. Set within 4,000 acres of pristine Napa countryside on the slopes of Mt. George, Kenzo Estate blends viticultural artistry, elegant architecture and culinary excellence with owner Kenzo Tsujimoto's Japanese heritage. The Napa Valley's newest architectural showpiece, the estate consists of 20,000 square feet of caves and a winery hospitality center designed by noted wine country architects Backen, Gillam & Kroeger Architects.

The winery features an all-star team that includes acclaimed consulting winemaker Heidi Barrett, master vineyard manager David Abreu and world-renowned Chef Thomas Keller. Rindo, a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot, is the signature wine from Kenzo Estate and is available at \$75. Kenzo Estate will be open for tastings by appointment. Guests may choose from two distinct pairing options – a charcuterie plate or lunch from Chef Thomas Keller, owner and founder of French Laundry and one of America’s most distinguished chefs. Each selection is expertly paired with four Kenzo Estate wines. A tasting of the four Kenzo wines with charcuterie is available for \$50 per person. The wine-paired lunch by Chef Keller is available for \$60 per person. [www.kenzoestate.com](http://www.kenzoestate.com).