

**CALISTOGA RANCH INVITES GUESTS TO EXPERIENCE WINE COUNTRY AS AN INSIDER WITH SERIES OF SIGNATURE EVENTS**

*Award-Winning Resort Creates Guest Experiences that Offer  
A Deeper Connection to Napa Valley*

CALISTOGA, Calif. (April 2010) - Nestled into a private canyon filled with ancient oaks, majestic hills, a rock-hewn stream and private lake, Calistoga Ranch offers a luxurious setting complete with a working vineyard and a resident winemaker. Guests who are interested in an insider's wine country experience are invited to actively participate in the winemaking process and share their experiences with other like-minded people. The resort continues to enhance its offerings by hosting a new series of signature events held on property with its Vintner Members. These events will give wine lovers the opportunity to partake in intimate events that take the wine country experience to a deeper level.

The signature events series at Calistoga Ranch are only available to those staying overnight as hotel guests or owners of the Residences. Upcoming events for 2010 include:

- **July 4** – It's an "All American 4th of July BBQ" from 5:30pm to 8:30pm and includes dinner, micro brews and wine by the poolside patio.
- **September 11** – The Harvest Party invites guests to experience Calistoga Ranch's first ever Harvest Party in its very own vineyard. Vintner Members will be on property pouring wine, local purveyors and vendors will offer samples of local products, live music will float through the air, and best of all... guests can *try their foot* in a grape stomp! Calistoga Ranch is the only hotel in Napa Valley to have a vineyard on property. This special event will be held from 2:00pm to 5:00pm.
- **September 11** – A Wine Dinner will follow the Harvest Party as a continued poolside celebration. Dinner will be served family style, *al fresco* under the Napa Valley stars from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. It will be \$125 per person.
- **October 30** – A Harvest Dinner will be held in the Calistoga Ranch Vineyard to celebrate the completion of the harvest season in Napa Valley. The dinner will be served

family style and is priced at \$125 per person. Vintner Members will join to dine with guests among the grapes, offering a view from the eyes of the insiders in Napa Valley; they'll share anecdotes, tips on the best wines of the year, and, of course, samples of their wine.

- **December 30** – Oysters & Sparkling Wine will be served on the patio of the Lakehouse restaurant at Calistoga Ranch as a winter celebration for those in Napa Valley for New Year's Eve or the holiday season. A special oyster bar will be set up from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

The signature events series is just another step towards making Calistoga Ranch guests have entrée to the winemaking community. Other wine-related programs at the resort include parties hosted on-property by revered local winemakers and invitations to their own homes and wineries. The wine cave also serves as a perfect venue to host year-round wine-themed parties, meetings and weddings. A one-of-a-kind "Winemaker for a Weekend" experience is also offered with the esteemed Hourglass Winery, located just next door to Calistoga Ranch. Collectively, these experiences offer the Calistoga Ranch guest the unique opportunity for a deeper connection to Napa Valley and personal insight into the art of winemaking.

### **About Calistoga Ranch**

Located in a private canyon on 157 acres just outside the town of Calistoga, Calistoga Ranch encompass 46 guest lodges and 23 owner lodges offering overnight accommodations, spa services, historic Lake Lommel, and the private Lakehouse Restaurant and lounge. The property's contemporary architecture is inspired by its natural surroundings, and created to fit the landscape, with a focus on an indoor-outdoor lifestyle. In keeping with the rich heritage of Napa Valley, Calistoga Ranch features an on-site vineyard and mountain wine cave, where owners and guests can share in the process of winemaking and immerse themselves in the wine culture. Owners and resort guests also enjoy a number of recreational activities including swimming in a pool overlooking the vineyards and oak groves, and hiking on one of the property's numerous trails.

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