

## Sonoma County, California

Sonoma County has 1,800 vineyard owners and more than 350 wineries that work together to produce a variety of world-class wines.

The county is home to 13 American Viticulture Areas (AVAs) or, simply put, wine regions — the areas where particular wine varieties grow and thrive.

Each possesses a distinct combination of soils, climate and wine varieties unique to the region. This ranges from cool climate thriving Pinot Noir and Chardonnay to warmer weather favorites such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Zinfandel and more. Much more.

And what is great wine without great food? In Sonoma County you'll find local artisans producing everything from award-winning cheeses to Muscovy duck, from Pacific oysters to farm-fresh produce and fruits. Our farmers fill the chefs' shopping baskets for *California Cuisine* in Northern California.

Sonoma County is where great wine and food, family and friends converge.

Please enjoy your Sonoma County journey.

*Note: The 13th Sonoma County region (not shown) is Northern Sonoma. It combines Dry Creek Valley, Alexander Valley, Knights Valley, Chalk Hill, Russian River Valley and Green Valley.*

TOTAL LAND ACRES  
1,050,000

VINEYARD ACRES  
60,302

NUMBER OF WINERIES  
350

NO. OF GROWERS  
1,800





### Sonoma Mountain

Well above the fog line with Sonoma Valley to the east and the Santa Rosa plain to the west, Sonoma Mountain is home to the powerfully elegant Cabernet

Sauvignon. With its primary eastern exposure, the full morning sunlight works its magic for a long, even ripening season. The region's well-drained soils and steep slopes encourage smaller berries to focus on intensely distinctive fruit flavors — from black currant to cassis — with notes of blackberry and violets to further enhance the wines' complexity.

But great Cabernet is only the beginning. The region is also wonderfully conducive to other varieties, including Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, early season Pinot Noir and late season Zinfandel — the poster wine of uneven ripening patterns.

The diversity is impressive. Yet, when one thinks of Sonoma Mountain, one always has Cabernet on the lips. Literally.



TOTAL LAND ACRES  
5,800

VINEYARD ACRES  
800

NUMBER OF WINERIES  
3

NO. OF GROWERS  
OVER 25

DAILY WEATHER TRENDS  
(april–october)

MORNING  
cool

AFTERNOON  
warm

EVENING  
cool