The World of Wine

Beringer Winery

BERINGER WINERY, THE OLDEST CONTINUously operating winery in the region, has been Napa Valley's benchmark producer since its establishment in 1876 by brothers Jacob and Frederick Beringer. The brothers came to the Napa Valley in 1875 from Germany, with the goal of making wines that compared to the best in Europe. From the winery's historic estate in St. Helena to the unique legacy in winemaking, Beringer has long been a trusted winery by collectors and critics worldwide.

Now in its third century of crafting classic wines from Napa's finest appellations and vineyards, Beringer is guided by Chief Winemaker Laurie Hook, who is the winery's seventh winemaker since 1876, and boasts an almost 20 year partnership with celebrated Winemaster Emeritus Ed Sbragia. Hook is passionate about crafting the utmost expression of Beringer's impressive collection of vineyards with each vintage. Her wines reflect Beringer's rich heritage while offering superior quality and supreme elegance.

The Rhine House is the center of Beringer's reserve and library tastings where guests can enjoy a glass of wine while relaxing in the old library or on the porch overlooking the expansive lawns and lush gardens. It was formerly the 17-room mansion that Frederick originally called his home. His brother Jacob, Beringer's first winemaker, lived in the Hudson House, which was built in 1848 and serves today as Beringer Vineyards' Culinary Arts Center.

Beringer Vineyards, the first winery in Napa to provide public tours, offers a variety of different seminars and tours daily at the winery. The historic estate also offers several tasting rooms where guests can sample an unparalleled selection of wines and learn more about winemaking.

The winery is open daily except on certain holidays. Visitors can obtain more information from their Web site at www.beringer.com. ●

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The Rhine House with a bottle of Beringer Reserve