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SONOMA WINE COUNTRY WEEKEND

• September 1-3

The annual multiday extravaganza of all things food and wine gets a shakeup this year, with its centerpiece Taste of Sonoma heading to a new venue. After a 12-year run at MacMurray Ranch in the Dry Creek Valley, this freewheeling party moves to the Green Music Center at Sonoma State University. A little less rural and a little less remote, the change in location shouldn't affect much about the massively popular event except for your drive home. And did we mention it's now two days instead of one? Gates are open noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 3. And there's more. The celebratory weekend kicks off Friday, Sept. 1 with a series of winemaker lunches, dinners and barbecues at venues around the county. These chances to rub shoulders with top winegrowers, winemakers and chefs continue on Sunday. Details available online.

Green Music Center, 1801 E. Cotati Ave., Rohnert Park, sonomawinecountryweekend.com

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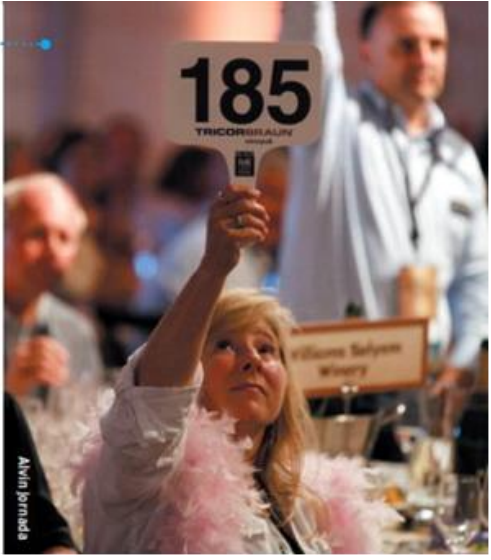
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SONOMA HARVEST WINE AUCTION

• September 16

During a large dinner with just about every well-known winemaker in the region, this annual auction raises record amounts of money for education in a frenzied fashion; over three dozen lots go up for grabs. The high-ticket event always sells out, and if you can't attend the madness in person, there's an absentee bidder route available.

La Crema Estate at Saralee's Vineyard, 3575 Slusser Road, Windsor, sonomawinecountryweekend.com



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