



MEADOWOOD
Napa Valley



Wine Education



WINE TASTINGS



Afternoon Wine Reception

Each afternoon guests are invited to join us for a tasting of two outstanding Napa Valley wines, one red and one white. Along with the wines, enjoy spirited discussions about wine and colorful stories about local vintners.

Understanding & Enjoying Wine

This program is designed for those looking to begin their exploration of wine. Gilles de Chambure, MS, our wine educator, offers guests an introduction to: grapegrowing, grape varietals, winemaking, wine tasting, reading wine labels, wine storage and service, and Napa Valley appellations.

SETTING: The Restaurant Bar or Terrace
TIME: One hour and thirty minutes
COST: \$150 per person, including wine

Exploring Napa Valley


After beginning with an overview of California and Napa Valley's history, geography, climate and winegrowing regions by Gilles de Chambure, MS, this session continues with a tasting illustrating the diversity of Napa Valley wines, including a flight of varietals from different appellations.

SETTING: The Restaurant Bar or Terrace
TIME: One hour and thirty minutes
COST: \$150 per person, including wine


Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

This tasting is designed for guests with a passion for Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. Gilles de Chambure, MS will highlight the diversity of Cabernet Sauvignons produced in various Napa Valley appellations by contrasting districts such as Rutherford, Oakville and Stag's Leap to mountain areas such as Spring Mountain, Howell Mountain and Diamond Mountain.

SETTING: The Restaurant Bar or Terrace
TIME: One hour and thirty minutes
COST: \$175 per person, including three wines



WINE & FOOD



Mealtime Wine & Food Pairing

Enjoy this exploration of wine and food dynamics with Gilles de Chambure, MS as he guides you through a fabulous meal. Engage in a lively discussion about how the wines selected to accompany each course enhance the flavor of the dish and how the flavors in the dish enhance the enjoyment of the wine.

LUNCH: The Meadowood Grill, three-course meal with wines paired
DINNER: The Restaurant at Meadowood, four-course meal with wines paired
COST: Lunch, \$150 per person; Dinner, \$250 per person

WINE EXCURSIONS

Escorted Winery Visits

Venture off the Meadowood estate and into Napa Valley for a half- or full-day wine excursion with Meadowood's resident wine educator, Gilles de Chambure, MS. Start the morning with a vineyard tour followed by a private winery tour and tasting. At mid-day, break for a casual lunch or picnic. A second winery visit may be added in the afternoon. This guided exploration includes an introduction to Napa Valley's climate, geography and viticulture. You'll also enjoy a discussion of local history and a current view of who's who in the world of wine.

SETTING: Beautiful Napa Valley

TIME: Half Day, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.;

Full Day, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

COST: Half Day, \$600 plus lunch, a driver and winery fees;

Full Day, \$900 plus lunch, a driver and winery fees

Wine, Architecture & History

On this guided tour of Napa Valley, Gilles de Chambure, MS highlights the architectural diversity to be found throughout the region. From the Valley's beautiful 19th-century, gravity-flow wineries to contemporary works by noted international architects, you'll come to know renowned Napa Valley vintners through their architectural visions.

SETTING: Napa Valley's Architectural Gems

TIME: Half Day, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.;

Full Day, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

COST: Half Day, \$600 plus lunch, a driver and winery fees;

Full Day, \$900 plus lunch, a driver and winery fees



GILLES DE CHAMBURE, MS
Director of Wine Education at Meadowood

Born in France to a family with vineyards in Burgundy and Bordeaux, Gilles de Chambure possesses a multi-faceted international wine background that includes time spent as a negociant, bottling vintage Armagnac and Calvados in France and wine in South America, and as a senior wine educator with Robert Mondavi in Napa Valley. He is a teacher for the Court of Master Sommeliers and a frequent lecturer at major wine conferences such as the Masters of Food & Wine and the Ahwahnee Vintner's Holiday in Yosemite.

In 2000 Gilles became the 44th person in the United States to complete the Master Sommelier program and the 100th in the world. He is also a Certified Wine Educator and served on the Board of the Society of Wine Educators from 2001 to 2003. Gilles earned a diploma from Wine & Spirit Education Trust in London in 1996 and sat the Master of Wine examination in 1998, writing his thesis on California Zinfandels. He has also completed the Office International du Vin (OIV) Wine Marketing Program at University of California, Davis, and the Bordeaux Institute d'Oenologie sensory evaluation curriculum.



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