

WINE BLOG OF BACCHUS & BEERY

An enthusiastic wine blog dedicated to tasting, enjoying, discovering, and of course, just drinking wine.

Day 1 Napa Sonoma Adventure



The clouds of San Francisco dissipated as we drove across the bay bridge and on to Napa where it was sunny and 75 degrees. Our first stop was at the newly opened [Kenzo Estate](#) high above the town of Napa on Glass Mountain. Think of this as more of a destination winery rather than a stop by tasting room. This sleek, elegant winery is the 100 million dollar dream of Kenzo Tsujimoto of Japanese video game giant, Capcom. Heidi Barrett of Screaming Eagle fame is the winemaker.

When you arrive at the elegant yet understated winery expect to be greeted with a crisp glass of Sauvignon Blanc and given a short tour of their state of the art (and that's an understatement) winemaking facility. The facility includes over 20,000 sq. ft of wine caves and computer/internet controlled fermentation tanks. The real treat is the wine tasting on the arbor covered patio furnished with elegant yet comfortable outdoor furniture. Kenzo Estate sits in 4000 acres, much of it untouched, lush and mountainous. All the grapes are estate grown on 70 acres. The view from the patio of vineyards and mountains is awe inspiring and the wines impeccable.

The only other folks tasting at Kenzo were a very engaging and wine savvy couple from Oakland.