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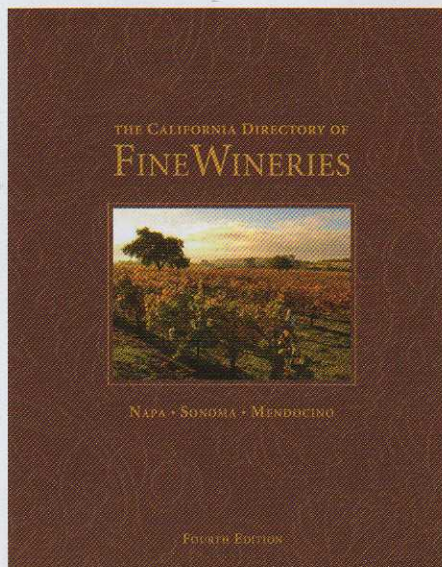
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# Old Wineries In A New Package And The California Ranch House Style Featured In New Releases

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## THE CALIFORNIA DIRECTORY OF FINE WINERIES: NAPA, SONOMA, AND MENDOCINO COUNTIES, FOURTH EDITION

A stylish guide for wine lovers and back road ramblers alike. The California Directory of Fine Wineries, edited by Tom Silberkleit, showcases some of the most appealing destinations in Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties. The fourth and latest edition of this popular series, launched by Sonoma based Wine House Press in 2003, explores sixty nine select wineries—from elegant estates to intimate tasting rooms—in a volume that is both opulent and user-friendly.

Laced with two hundred color images taken by Bay Area photographer Robert Holmes, the book serves up a lavish visual treat. Evocative portraits of lush vineyards, cool barrel rooms, happy tasters, and long, beautiful views work their irresistible charm on readers, whether active travelers or armchair tourists.

Concise winery profiles, written by Sonoma area freelancer Marty Olmstead, include engaging details about regional history, viticultural geography, and the

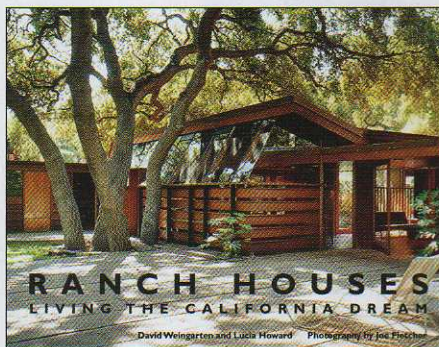
colorful people behind the wines, while providing an insider's look at winery operations, offerings, and amenities. Sidebars outlining specifics, such as winery location, hours, specialties, and nearby attractions, accompany each profile and provide at-a-glance listings of information essential for planning a successful trip.

Brief introductory essays explore the meaning of appellation and the etiquette of wine tasting, and clearly marked maps help guide travelers to both profiled and non-profiled wineries in the three, featured counties.

This excellent production and printing reference book's attention to detail invites both visitors and seasoned locals to discover the gardens, picnic spots, and art galleries, as well as the signature vintages, of Northern California's fabled wine country.

—K. Reka Badger

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## RANCH HOUSES: LIVING THE CALIFORNIA DREAM

With its archetypal open plan, the ranch house embodies the reverence of indoor/outdoor living that defines the

California dream. When we picture California Ranch houses—the low-slung, informal dwellings that engulfed suburbs after World War II—we are thinking of just one part of a phenomenon that has its roots in early nineteenth century ranchos, and which continues today in houses that are startling and up-to-the-minute. Over the years, examples of the type have been called ranchos, ranchers, and California ramblers and may be styled Spanish, Japanese, and French; Monterey and International; Vernacular, Minimalist, or Modernist. From the 1797 Rancho Los Alamitos of Long Beach, to such contemporary homes as the Miller Residence of Corte Madera, Ranch Houses details nearly thirty homes, unveiling the great variety and the very finest examples of this multifaceted form.

With newly commissioned images by highly respected architecture photographer Joe Fletcher, and featuring the work of such architectural luminaries as Cliff May, Richard Neutra, John Lautner, and Charles Moore, Ranch Houses is an essential resource for architects, homeowners, and all those who aspire to the indoor/outdoor lifestyle that is the California dream.

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