

## JANUARY

#### **Crab Feast Mendocino** COUNTYWIDE

Rated one of America's Top Seafood and Wine Festivals by Coastal Living magazine with crab and cioppino feeds, crab cruises, winemaker dinners, crab cake cook-off, and dozens of other crabcrazy events throughout the county. 866.466.3636 www.visitmendocino.com

#### **Barrel Tasting 101**

**REDWOOD CORRIDOR • HWY 101** Head to Hopland for this opportunity to gain inside access to wineries all along the Redwood Corridor. You will get the chance to talk with winemakers, learn how to evaluate barrel samples, and take advantage of future wine shares. 800.564.2582 www.destinationhopland.com

## FEBRUARY

#### Anderson Valley White Wine Weekend

#### ANDERSON VALLEY

Celebrate the valley's famed Alsace-style varietals, in addition to award-winning Chardonnay grapes that make the sparkling wines from this region truly shine. 707.895.9463 • www.avwines.com

## MARCH

#### Whale Festivals MENDOCINO COAST

Witness the whales on their annual winter journey with guided whale watching cruises and walks, wine, beer and chowder tastings, arts and crafts, children's activities, and more. 7079616300 mendocinocoast.com/whale-home

# APRIL

#### Legendary Boonville **Beer Festival** BOONVILLE

"The bahlest steinber hornin', chiggrul gormin', tidrick in the heelch of the Boont Region!" This annual event showcases breweries from all over the west with more than 100 brews to sample and enjoy. 707.895.2337 • www.avbc.com

#### Taste Mendocino in San Francisco SAN FRANCISCO

This intimate wine event showcases the people and products that make Mendocino County such a special place. Mendocino County wineries will pour their best wines, and numerous artisanal food producers will serve delicious bites. 8707.901.7629 www.tasteofmendo.com

#### **A** Celebration of **Sparkling Wines**

REDWOOD CORRIDOR A stellar wine and food festival, set on a working olive oil ranch, showcasing Mendocino's renowned bubbles. 707.744.1114 • www.terrasavia.com

## MAY

#### Whale and Jazz Festival

#### SOUTH COAST

Includes over 20 venues, with jazz for all tastes ranging from traditional New Orleans style to European, Latin, and modern. Throughout April & May, enjoy concerts, dining, theater, film, poetry, lectures, whale watching, chowder challenge, and more! 707.884.1138 • www.gualalaarts.org

#### **Hopland Spring Passport** HOPLAND

Visit participating wineries with incredible food pairings at each stop. Experience tours, art, live music, bocce ball, wine specials, and BBQs. 800.564.2582 www.destinationhopland.com



#### Architectural Tour, Wine Tasting & Auction

#### GUALALA

Experience an extraordinary tour of the archetypal coastal homes of the south coast of Mendocino County. Self-guided tour followed by one of the finest wine tastings in Northern California. 707.884.1138 • www.gualalaarts.org

#### Anderson Vallev Pinot Noir Festival

#### ANDERSON VALLEY

Taste Pinot Noir produced from grapes grown in the beautiful and rugged Anderson Valley with a Grand Tasting, technical conference, scrumptious food pairings, and winemaker dinners. 707.895.9463 • www.avwines.com

#### John Druecker Memorial Rhododendron Show

FORT BRAGG

California's largest rhododendrum show, features the best rhodie specimens on the west coast – held at the Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens. 707.964.4352

www.gardenbythesea.org

#### Willits Community Festival and Car & Bike Show

WILLITS Take a step back in time and get ready for a rockin' 'n rollin' car show, BBQ, dance

and lots of family fun. 707.459.7910 • www.willits.org

#### **Potter Valley** Spring Festival & Rodeo

POTTER VALLEY

Celebrate Memorial Day weekend with a rodeo, BBQ, lawnmower races and fun for the entire family. 707.743.1742 www.pottervalleyrodeo.com

#### **Gualala Fine Arts Fair** GUALALA

Browse the art, sample food, watch craft demonstrations, and enjoy the entertainment at this intimate two-day arts festival in the small coastal town of Gualala. 707.884.1138 • www.gualalaarts.org

## JUNE

#### Mendocino Film Festival COUNTYWIDE

From the coast to the mountains, movie buffs can view screenings at multiple venues throughout Mendocino County. Featuring special guest appearances and a rich assortment of curated films. 707.937.0171

www.mendocinofilmfestival.org

#### Mendocino Coast Garden Tour MENDOCINO

Take a behind-the-scenes glimpse of some of the Mendocino Coast's most beautiful gardens on this self-guided tour. Includes a garden shop and plant sale at the Mendocino Art Center. 707.937.5818

Sierra Nevada

BOONVILLE

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707.462.6789

LAYTONVILLE

Ranch in Laytonville.

July 4 Parade

JULY

MENDOCINO

much more

WILLITS

World Music Festival

peace, unity, and brotherhood.

Taste of Downtown

Experience world music and the summer

solstice in this three-day celebration of

Wineries and breweries from throughout

the region partner with downtown

merchants in offering tastings, live

sourced food, and refreshments.

entertainment, vendor booths, locally

www.ukiahmainstreetprogram.org

**Kate Wolf Music Festival** 

A wonderful place to relax and enjoy a

great weekend with friends, family, and

lovers of fabulous music at Black Oak

katewolfmusicfestival.com

Village of Mendocino's

Enjoy a true hometown parade with lots

916.777.5550 • www.snwmf.com

www.mendocinoartcenter.org

#### **Redwood Empire Spring Fair** υκιαμ

Get ready for some fun at the fair, with plenty of games, rides, motor sports, live music, and delicious food. 707.462.3884 www.redwoodempirefair.com

#### Sundays in the Park Free Concert Series

JUNE-AUGUST • UKIAH

During the summer, gather with family and friends to enjoy top-notch music every second Sunday in Todd Grove Park. Bring a picnic and a blanket to share or enjoy a variety of food options from local vendors. 707.463.6231 • www.cityofukiah.com

#### Laytonville Rodeo

LAYTONVILLE

An annual event since 1975! Enjoy the afternoon's rodeo entertainment with bull rides, steer wrestling, roping, barrel races and a whole lot more cowboy fun! 707.984.0067 · www.rodeosusa.com

#### Taste of Redwood Valley

REDWOOD VALLEY Celebrate Father's Day with a weekend meander along the back roads of Redwood Valley and taste library wines, small production lots, brandies and fine spirits. 707.485.7051 • www.tasteofrv.com



#### The World's Largest Salmon BBO

#### NOYO HARBOR · FORT BRAGG

On the 1st Saturday closest to July 4th, delighting salmon lovers since 1970. Ticket buys a plate of wild Pacific salmon, salad, corn on the cob, along with live music and dancing. Vegetarian option available. 707.962.9141

www.salmonrestoration.com

#### Fort Bragg Fireworks FORT BRAGG

Follow up your day at the Salmon BBQ by watching the fireworks at Noyo Harbor from Todd Point. 707.961.6300

www.mendocinocoast.com

#### Point Arena July 4 **Fireworks & Festivities**

#### POINT ARENA

Come early and stay late for the Street Fair at Arena Cove. Enjoy live bands as well as a DJ, fun activities, and a wide selection of food and drinks. Fun for all ages!! Fireworks show begins at dark! 707.882.2122 · www.pointarena.net

#### Summer Chamber Music Weekend GUALALA

Listen to superb performances by members of the San Francisco Symphony. Don't miss out on the biggest musical event of concert season! 707.884.1138 • www.gualalaarts.org

# Anderson Valley Barrel Tast-

707.895.9463 • www.avwines.com



ing Weekend **HIGHWAY 128** Join Anderson Valley and Yorkville Highlands wineries and enjoy unprecedented access to winery cellars, taste yet-to-be-released wines, and purchase futures of your favorites at a special barrel tasting weekend price!



California's oldest continuous rodeo! This annual 10-day celebration is filled with rodeos, a parade, gymkhana, horse shows, contests, delicious food and drinks, Fourth of July festivities and small town community spirit! 707.459.6330

www.willitsfrontierdays.com



#### Mendocino Music Festival MENDOCINO

A magical blend of fine music by outstanding performers in one of the most enchanting sites in Northern California: orchestra concerts to Big Band, blues and jazz to world and popular contemporary music. 707.937.2044

www.mendocinomusic.org

#### **Gualala Arts Auto Show &** Pinewood Derby

#### GUALALA

This is a car show you can actually stroll through, talk to the owners and appreciate each car, truck or motorcycle for the piece of art it is.

707.884.1138 • www.gualalaarts.org

#### Mendocino Summer **Arts & Crafts Fair**

#### MENDOCINO

A unique market of arts and crafts booths with handmade artwork, including glass works, fiber wearables, hand-crafted jewelry, functional and sculptural ceramics, paintings, and photography. 707.937.5818 www.mendocinoartcenter.org

#### Not-So-Simple Living Fair

#### BOONVILLE

A weekend of hands-on workshops and demonstrations, food and crafts celebrating rural living and homesteading skills. 707.901.7080 www.notsosimple.info

## AUGUST

#### **Redwood Empire Fair**

#### UKIAH

Bring the family for a day of fun with lots of down-home activities, animals, live music, rides, and delicious food. 707.462.3884

www.redwoodempirefair.com

#### Mendocino Coast Writers Conference

#### MENDOCINO

A three-day conference where writers find encouragement, expertise and inspiration. Intensive workshops, panels, manuscript consultations, and free readings open to public.

707.485.4031 • www.mcwc.org

#### Art in the Redwoods Festival **GUALALA**

The grounds will be filled to the brim with vendor booths offering a host of items including jewelry, ceramics, wood, tiles, weavings, specialized apparel, leather goods, photographs, textiles, and artwork. 707.884.1138 • www.gualalaarts.org

#### Art In the Gardens

#### FORT BRAGG

Celebrate creative expression, gorgeous gardens, music, beer, wine, and food in this showcase of ceramics, glass, paintings, sculpture, textiles, and woodworking.

#### 707.964.4352 www.gardenbythesea.org

## Pints in the Plaza

#### UKIAH

Enjoy a variety of microbrews, live music, vendor booths, food and refreshments in historic downtown Ukiah. 707.462.6789

www.ukiahmainstreetprogram.org

#### **Round Valley Blackberry Festival**

#### COVELO

Blackberry delicacies, arts and crafts, live music, wine tasting, kids' activities, square dance, 5K and 10K run, car show, and much more!

www.roundvalleyblackberryfestival.com

#### Great Day in Elk ELK

Experience a fun-filled day complete with a parade, carnival, live entertainment, greased pole climbing, watermeloneating contests, cake raffle, and more. Enjoy a no-host bar, fresh-pressed cider, and abundant food options as well.

707.877.1105 • www.elkweb.org

## SEPTEMBER

#### Point Arena Harbor & Seafood Festival

#### POINT ARENA

Time for some fun at the pier! Get your pirate duds on and compete for best costume, munch on seafood cakes, fish tacos, and seafood kabobs, and quench your thirst with craft beers and Mendocino wines. 707.882.2122

#### www.pointarena.net

## Studio Discovery Tour

SOUTH COAST

Visit the personal studios of many of the area's most unique and talented artists on this free self-guided adventure. 707.884.5067

www.studiodiscoverytour.com

#### Winesong Charity **Auction & Tasting** LITTLE RIVER/FORT BRAGG

Pinot Noir Celebration: The afternoon before the auction, enjoy outstanding wines and an amazing view at the Little River Inn. On auction day, stroll the gardens while sipping premium wines and savoring delectable bites. Bid on an array of items and watch the fun build at the live auction.

707.961.4688 • www.winesong.org

#### **Roots of Motive Power Steam Festival**

#### WILLITS

Plumes of steam and the shrieks of steam whistles fill the air as a variety of steam-powered equipment is fired up. Later in the afternoon, the smell of whole pigs roasting on the spit draws a huge crowd for the perfect ending to a wonderful day.

www.rootsofmotivepower.com





#### Mendocino County Fair & Apple Show

#### BOONVILLE

There's fun for the entire family at this real country fair, parade, rides, animals, displays, California Wool & Fiber Festival, sheep dog trials, and rodeo. 707.895.3011

www.mendocountyfair.com

#### Show-N-Shine Car Show υκιδη

Enjoy an exciting day filled with plenty of food, fun, live music and of course loads of hot rods, street rods, classics, customs and antique automobiles! 707.462.6789 www.ukiahmainstreetprogram.org

#### Round Valley **Community Rodeo**

COVELO Join the fun with bull riding, barrel racing, parade, team roping, country dance, rodeo, and lots of BBQ!

www.roundvalleyrodeo.com

#### Paul Bunyan Days FORT BRAGG

Have fun at this celebration of coastal history with Paul and Babe the Blue Ox! Compete with friends in the pole climb, pillow fight, or ax throw. Enjoy BBQ, brews, and the original ugly dog contest! www.paulbunyandays.com

#### Beer, Bison & Bluegrass FORT BRAGG

Beer tasting featuring regional breweries, an organic bison burger BBQ, and bluegrass... finger lickin' food and finger pickin' music! 707.964.4940 www.parentsandfriends.org

## OCTOBER

#### The Mendocino Ocean & Seafood Fair FORT BRAGG

Head to Noyo Harbor to enjoy great food, wine, beer, music, silent auction, and a craft fair. Offerings will include fish, uni (sea urchin), seaweed and other surprises. 707.937.4700 www.mendoparks.org

#### Hopland Harvest Days

Celebrate the harvest in Hopland with wine tasting, great food, lively music, vendors, and art. Hopland is home for wine lovers! 800.564.2582 www.destinationhopland.com

#### **Ukiah Country PumpkinFest**

#### UKIAH

Fun for everyone with a parade, arts and craft fair, haunted house, scarecrow city, beer & wine tasting, live music and the Giant Pumpkin Weigh-off! 707.463.6231 www.cityofukiah.com/pumpkinfest

## NOVEMBER

#### **Mushroom Feast** Mendocino

#### COUNTYWIDE

Celebrate Mendocino County's bounty with mushroom dinners, wine and beer tastings, musical performances, exhibits, guided mushroom walks, and educational talks. 866.466.3636 www.visitmendocino.com

#### Mendocino County Homebrew Festival υκιδη

Taste great craft beers and ciders made by brewers from local and other Northern CA homebrew clubs competing to become the people's choice winner.

www.mendohomebrewfest.com





#### **Festival of Trees**

GUALALA Transport yourself to mid-19th century Gualala for a craft fair with handcrafted wares, Santa, kids' activities, seasonal food and drink. 707.884.1138 • www.gualalaarts.org

#### Thanksgiving Arts & Crafts Fair

MENDOCINO

A holiday marketplace with unique, high quality artwork and gift items, glass works, fiber clothing, jewelry, ceramics, paintings, photography, and more. 707.937.5818

www.mendocinoartcenter.org

#### Festival of Lights FORT BRAGG

Tens of thousands of twinkling lights transform the Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens into a blossoming winter wonderland, creating a magical mood for the holidavs.

707.964.4352 www.gardenbythesea.org

## DECEMBER

#### **Magical Christmas** Skunk Train

WILLITS & FORT BRAGG Take a ride aboard the Christmas Skunk Train with Santa, elves, musicians, storytellers, cocoa, and cookies. Pajamas and slippers encouraged! 707.964.6371 • www.skunktrain.com

#### Holiday Express

#### WILLITS

A Christmas party that features Santa arriving on a steam locomotive. Trees, trains, singing, carolers, and refreshments make this an event for kids (and adults) of all ages. 707.459.7910 • www.visitwillits.com







This calendar represents just a sampling of events in Mendocino County. For additional events and up-to-date information: visitmendocino.com | 1.866.466.3636

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