

THE BEST OF THE SOUTHWEST

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Field Trip Friday: St. Helena

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In addition to regular stories on all things that make the Southwest shine, each month The Best of the Southwest takes readers on a weekend getaway, sharing the ultimate itinerary for a destination either a quick drive or short flight away, in a column we are calling Field Trip Friday.

Today's field trip: St. Helena.

Annulus Cellars

This fall, Annulus will make its debut in St. Helena. *Annulus*, from the Latin term for “ring,” refers to the winegrowing cycle that extends from dormancy to bud break to veraison and to harvest. It’s inspired by the circle of family and friends with whom proprietors Luke Evnin and Deann Wright — long-time area residents and renowned scientists — gather to share and appreciate wine, and honors exceptional, historic, family-owned Napa Valley vineyards.

Tastings of the limited collection will be by appointment and reservation only, and absolutely worth it! During a tasting, guests are hosted at the beautiful, green-certified Wheeler Farms in St. Helena. During this 90-minute tasting, guests are intimately introduced to Annulus’ singular expressions of Napa’s heritage vineyards and the winemaking artistry of Nigel Kinsman and Michel Rolland. And yes, there are small bites, too!

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