



news from the north



CASTLE OF LOVE

Napa Valley has a new landmark—and we’re not talking about an extension of the famed Kenwood-based winery. After 15 years of construction, the Castello di Amorosa (Castle of Love) is finally open to the public. The public tours show off fruits of the estate winery as well as the property itself. A castaldo (concierge) will lead you over a drawbridge through caves and tasting rooms. The entire 121,000-square-foot property is built on three acres. castellodiamorosa.com

Ma(i)sonry

New venue in Yountville: as of September 1, Ma(i)sonry (rendering below), a 1904 private home listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is open for private parties and casual get togethers. This indoor-outdoor locale features private wine tasting rooms, great rooms, outdoor seating, fire pits—all the comforts of your own club or genteel country home. Visitors are always welcome, wine tasting appointments are encouraged. For more information call 707.252.4444 or visit maisonry.com



Westin Verasa!

On September 18, Napa Valley’s newest luxury property will be opening its doors just blocks away from COPIA. For more information, visit intrawest.com



Holy Karakasevic!

The 12th- and 13th-generation distillers Miles and Marko Karakasevic, of the family-owned spirits company Charbay, have just released a whiskey to rave reviews. “Holy wow,” said Stephen Schuler, buyer at Morrell Wines & Spirits in New York City. “This seriously might be one of the best-made American whiskeys I have ever laid my lips on.” Want some? The first release is sold out and release two, which debuts this month, is nine years old and available at select fine spirits stores nationwide by allocation. charbay.com