

With so many attractions throughout Ukiah and the Ukiah Valley, it might seem a bit challenging to pick what places you absolutely have to visit. That's where our itineraries come in.

Excellent resources for your trip-planning, you can use the itineraries as a general overview and starting point or follow them step by step. We cover a wide range of themes, so no matter what you're looking for, we've got you covered.

Omnivores Delight



Visit the year-round, certified organic farmers' market in Historic Downtown Ukiah and then take the [Observatory Park Walking Route](#) to pick up a picnic lunch at [Westside Renaissance Market](#), which features local, organic fare from all over the county.

Head out to Campovida in Hopland to enjoy your lunch under the grapevine arbors. Tour the 13 acres of organic farmland and sample the estate's Mendocino County wines. www.campovida.com

Call ahead to reserve a spectacular olive oil tasting and tour at Terra Sávia, also in Hopland. Taste the organically grown estate wines, organic extra virgin olive oils, and wildflower honey. Take a tour of their olive milling facility then relax on the deck of the rustic tasting shack. Not just an olive oil production facility, Terra Sávia is also an art gallery, nursery, and organic garden filled with vegetables and native plants. <http://www.terrasavia.com/>

For dinner, head back to Ukiah to experience Zagat-rated locavore dining at Patrona, which boasts a menu full of locally harvested ingredients, craft cocktails and Mendocino County's most expansive local wine list. www.patronarestaurant.com

Head out Hwy 20, just east of Ukiah, for a visit to J-Bar-S Ranch, an honest-to-gosh real

working ranch with genuine bona fide ranch hands. The ranch is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm. The ranch includes a bison store where you can buy genuine bison steaks, roasts and burgers as well as BBQ sauces; and dozens of souvenir items. Tours available for groups of 12 or more. www.jbarsranch.com

Venture back toward Ukiah, stopping at Parducci Wine Cellars, Mendocino County's oldest winery and the first carbon-neutral winery in the country. Stroll through their beautiful grounds or take a tour of their amazing facility. www.parducci.com

Back in Ukiah for the evening, we invite you to polish off the day with a meal at Saucy, which features gourmet pizza topped with local ingredients and finished in a wood-fired oven. www.saucyukiah.com

Indulge Yourself



[Soak](#) in the therapeutic waters of our natural hot springs. Surrounded by historic beauty and breathtaking nature trails, you may want to book an extra couple of days. Check with **Vic**
hy Springs
or
Orr Hot Springs
for starters.

Visit the [City of 10,000 Buddhas](#) , named for the 10,000 images of Buddha in the meditation hall.

Experience yoga in Ukiah. Whether you're a fan of bikram yoga or something more traditional, Ukiah's yoga studios have a drop-in option just for you.

Enjoy a lazy brunch at Zagat-rated [Patrona Restaurant and Lounge](#) in Historic Downtown Ukiah, which specializes in fresh, local, seasonal ingredients.

For a relaxing hike amongst some of the largest living organisms on the planet, visit [Montgomery Woods](#) nature grove, where you'll experience the pristine silence of a redwood grove and stand next to one of the tallest trees in the world.

Experience Ukiah's newest fine dining establishment— [Crush Italian Steakhouse](#) . Specializing in traditional Italian flavors mixed with fresh, local ingredients, Crush takes “steakhouse” to a new level.

Green to the Core



Mendocino County is the greenest wine region in America. Call ahead to [Parducci Wine Cellars](#) , the oldest winery in the county and the first carbon-neutral winery in America, to arrange for a tour. You'll get to sample their award-winning wines, see the 20,000 gallon redwood wine barrels, and tour the beautiful grounds that include wetlands—great for bird-watching—and a large biodynamic, organic garden.

From Parducci, go north to Redwood Valley for your appointment at [Frey Vineyards](#) . Set on the north side of the valley, Frey is the first organic winery in the U.S. It's a family-run business where everyone pitches in to help. You can watch the bottling line, tour the grounds, and pet many of dogs running around.

If you are in the mood for a tranquil afternoon, head north from Frey Vineyards up Tomki Road to the [Abhayagiri Monastery](#) . Set high above the valley, take a loop trail (about 3 miles, steep in parts) that will wind you around the top of the mountain, through the woods and passing by retreat cabins. Please check their website for monastery etiquette guidelines. If you arrive at the right time, you may join in the communal meal or tea. In springtime the trail is lined with wildflowers.

Have dinner at [Oco Time](#) —the Peace Café—in Ukiah for sustainable sushi, okonomiyaki, vegan and vegetarian options, local wines, and a wide selection of sake.

Spend a day in nearby Hopland, starting at the [Solar Living Institute](#) . This amazing facility features a gift shop, straw bale structures, solar powered everything, and plenty of inspiration for a sustainable lifestyle.

Just a short distance away is [Campovida](#) , where you can tour 13 acres of gardens and enjoy organic, biodynamic, and sustainably crafted wines in the Campovida tasting room.

Other "Mendo" things to do are:

Visit [Mendocino Organics](#) for a tour of a working CSA located on the biodynamic Heartarrow Ranch. By appointment only.

Spend an afternoon on the Eel River in Potter Valley.

Visit [Magruder Farms](#) in Potter Valley - make an appointment - grass-fed cattle and acorn-fed free-range pigs. By appointment only.

Visit [McFadden Farm](#) in Potter Valley - organic grapes, grass-fed beef, electric power producer on the Russian River, herbs, solar-powered. By appointment only.

Hit The Course or Hit The Trail



Historic, Artistic Ukiah



On the first Friday of each month, Ukiah's [art galleries](#) are open late for a fun and festive evening. You'll meet the artists and see what inspires more artists per capita than any other county in America.

Tour the [Grace Hudson Museum and Sun House](#) , an art, history and anthropology museum that hosts the largest collection of paintings from Grace Hudson and an amazing collection of Pomo Indian basketry.

Catch a performance at one of Ukiah's many performing arts venues. Our community is home to the [Ukiah Players Theater](#) , [Mendocino Ballet](#) , the [Ukiah Symphony](#) , a [community college](#) with an active performing arts program, and more. Check our event calendar to find out what's happening during your visit.

Visit the [City of 10,000 Buddhas](#) , an international Buddhist community and monastery. Beautiful peacocks roam freely around the campus, and a vegetarian restaurant on the premises is open for lunch every day except Tuesday.

Just north of Ukiah is Ridgewood Ranch, the final resting place of famous racehorse, [Seabiscuit](#)

Schedule a tour of this working ranch, named one of America's 11 most endangered historic places.

Take in an eclectic mix of architecture and history in Ukiah's Historic Downtown. A self-guided [walking tour](#) will direct you to some of the area's most prominent buildings. Enjoy the many boutiques and

restaurants featuring local art, food, and handcrafts.

For the Discerning Palate



The Ukiah area is home to many pioneers in the wine and microbeer worlds. Centrally located to over 30 wine tasting rooms, you could easily spend a week here. Experience friendly, intimate wineries where, chances are, you'll actually meet the winemaker. Listed here are just a few of the highlights.

[Enoteca](#) , a wine bar with Italian flair, is located in Historic Downtown Ukiah. This intimate gathering spot is great for relaxing, and the expansive wine list is often paired with live music.

Head north of Ukiah for [Parducci Wine Cellars](#) , the oldest winery in Mendocino County and the first carbon-neutral winery in the country. With picnic grounds, a gift shop, and a fantastic tour, the wine is just the beginning.

Experience Italy in California! The area is home to many Italian wine-making families. Visit [Barra of Mendocino](#) , just north of Ukiah in Redwood Valley. Charlie Barra has been farming here since the early 1950s. Built in 1971, the tasting room was designed to resemble an inverted champagne glass and leaves an enduring impression. If you're lucky, you'll meet Maria Martinson, the winemaker at nearby [Testa Vineyards](#) , making wine for 100 years.

Spend a day in nearby Hopland, home to many of the area's tasting rooms and wine attractions. Sample [Brutocao's](#) extensive wine list while you play bocce ball, and take a tour through the amazing wine caves at [Saracina](#) .

Also in Hopland is [Campovida](#) , where you can tour 13 acres of gardens and enjoy organic, bio-dynamic, and sustainably crafted wines in the Campovida tasting room.

For an inside look at Ukiah-area craft distilleries, a visit to the farmhouse-style tasting room at [Jaxon Keys](#) is a must. Sit on the deck overlooking the beautiful valley and appreciate how slowly time moves here. Ukiah is also home to [Germain-Robin](#), one of the highest rated alambic brandies in the world. Call for an appointment to taste and tour at their downtown Ukiah location: 707-468-7899.

Don't forget the beer—Mendocino County is full of pioneers in the microbrew industry. In Hopland, stop in at [Piazza de Campovida](#) to sample brews from Linden Street Brewing in Oakland, which you can pair with one of the many pizzas on the menu. Also in Hopland, is the [Hopland Tap House](#), located on the site of the first brewpub to open in California, and the second in the United States, after the end of Prohibition. The Hopland Tap House offers delicious homemade sandwiches, chili, soups, and salads washed down with one of the fine on-tap brews.

Sample house-made brews at **Ukiah Brewing Company & Restaurant** in Downtown Ukiah, located in the historic Marks Building on the corner of State and Perkins Streets. [Mendocino Brewing Company](#) (originally located in Hopland), creator of Red Tail Ale and many other fine beers, which you can sample at the Mendocino Ale House, is also located in Ukiah.

[Saucy](#) in Ukiah offers a wide choice of craft beers on tap—last count was 16. Sit at the bar, enjoy an appetizer, watch the pizzas coming out of the wood-fired oven, and sample some of the great brews.