

Spring Road Trip

“Think Green, Drink Green” is the motto of the new *CADE Winery* from the *PlumpJack Group*; like no other winery in the valley, it’s worth a visit. CADE, located on Howell Mountain, is striving to achieve LEED Gold Certification in an attempt to be Napa Valley’s first organically farmed, LEED Gold Certified Winery. Interesting facts: 60 percent of CADE property is maintained as natural landscape, 99 percent of energy needs are met with solar panels, and it demonstrates a 67 percent reduction in overall water consumption as compared to conventional practices. Aiming to set a new benchmark for elegance and boldness of design, CADE features a stunning architectural achievement created by **Juan Carlos Fernandez** of *Lail Design Group*. The winery encompasses a 14,500-square-foot network of wine caves built into the hillside in a shape that replicates the PlumpJack shield. The caves are used primarily for wine storage and barreling, but are also available for tours and private events. The hospitality suite has been positioned to take full advantage of the views from this ridge-top location, presenting an infinity window with picturesque views down the valley of the Mayacamas Mountain Range and Lake Hennessey. Tastings of the winery’s four creations are by appointment only seven days a week.