## 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.cityofpointarena.net

#### Pints in the Plaza ΙΙΚΙΔΗ

Enjoy a variety of microbrews.

live music, vendor booths, food and refreshments in historic downtown Ukiah. 707.462.6789

www.ukiahmainstreetprogram.org

#### 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 evening 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 and Apple Show

#### BOONVILLE

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

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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

A celebration of coastal history with Paul and Babe the Blue Ox! Compete with friends in the poll 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! 707.357.4927 www.parentsandfriends.org

## OCTOBER

#### The Mendocino Ocean and Seafood Fair

NOYO HARBOR. FORT BRAGG

Still in Novo Harbor, still with great food, wine, beer, music, silent auction and craft fair. Offerings will include fish, uni (sea urchin), seaweed and other surprises. 707.937.4700 www.mendoparks.org

## **Hopland Fall Passport**

With participating wineries pouring their best wines, succulent food pairings at each stop, and opportunities to experience tours, art, and live music, Hopland is the place to be 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/pumpkinest/

## NOVEMBER

#### Mushroom, Wine & Beer Festival

#### 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

## Home Brew Festival

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Taste great craft beers and ciders and support local brewers and farmers. 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 November & December

Tens of thousands of twinkling lights transform the Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens into a blossoming winter wonderland – creating a magical mood for the holidays. 707.964.4352 www.gardenbythesea.org

## DECEMBER

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

WILLITS & FORT BRAGG

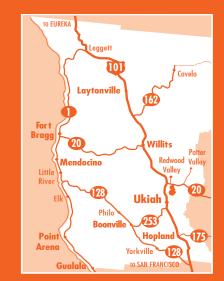
Take a ride aboard the Christmas Skunk Train featuring Santa, elves, musicians, storytellers, cocoa, and cookies. Pajamas and slippers encouraged! 707.964.6371 · www.skunktrain.com

#### 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

## visitmendocino.com

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## JANUARY

#### Mendocino County Crab, Wine & Beer Festival

#### 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**

Join us for this once a year 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 Aromatic** White Wine Festival ANDERSON VALLEY

Meet the winemakers, learn about winemaking and grape growing aromatic white varietals at the technical conference; taste aromatic style white wines at the Grand Tasting. 707.895.9463 • www.avwines.com

## MARCH

### Whale Festivals

#### MENDOCINO COAST

Witness the whales' annual winter journey with guided whale watching cruises and walks, wine, beer and chowder tastings. arts and crafts, children's activities, and more 707.961.6300

www.mendocinocoast.com/whale

# 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 over 100 brews to sample and enjoy. 707.895.2337 • www.avbc.com

#### **Almost Fringe Festival** COUNTYWIDE

Find your happy at our Almost Fringe Festival, featuring a celebration of all the creativity which represents Mendocino County; from traditional to cutting edge artsy. 866.466.3636 www.visitmendocino.com

#### Sparkling Wine Festival

A steller wine and food festival, set on a working olive oil ranch, showcasing Mendocino's renowned bubbles. 707.744.1114 www.visitmendocino.com

## MQY

#### 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

#### Annual John Druecker Memorial Rhododendron Show

#### FORT BRAGG

California's largest rhododendrum show, featuring 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 and 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 Vallev 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 www.mendocinoartcenter.org

## Redwood Empire Spring Fair

UKIAH 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.rodeousa.com/ rodeo/annual-laytonville-rodeo



## Willits Frontier Days

#### WILLITS

A Taste of Redwood Valley

course dinner on Friday night. Saturday

Celebrate Father's Day with a multi-

and Sunday meander the back roads

wines, small production lots, brandies

707.485.7051 • www.tasteofrv.com

Experience world music and the summer

solstice in this three-day celebration of

916.777.5550 • www.snwmf.com

In historic downtown, wineries and

breweries from throughout the region

partner with downtown merchants in

offering tastings, live entertainment,

vendor booths, locally sourced food

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

www.katewolfmusicfestival.com

Village of Mendocino's

Enjoy a true hometown parade with lots

people, horses, art cars, music and much,

of floats and fun for everyone...dogs,

www.mendocinocoast.com

4th of July Parade

of Redwood Valley and taste library

REDWOOD VALLEY

and fine spirits.

BOONVILLE

UKIAH

Sierra Nevada

World Music Festival

peace, unity and brotherhood.

Taste of Downtown

and refreshments.

707.462.6789

LAYTONVILLE

JULY

MENDOCINO

much more.

707.961.6300

Ranch in Laytonville.

July 4 - Parade & BBQ 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

#### 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. 707.318.9763

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 4th of July **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 Tasting Weekend ANDERSON VALLEY

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! 707.895.9463 • www.avwines.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

#### 707.937.2044 www.mendocinomusic.org

#### Gualala Arts Auto Show and Pinewood Derby

#### GUALALA

music

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-created 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

#### FORT BRAGG

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 arounds 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

#### 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 Dav 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

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