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Culinary trips

To pioneers, the Willamette Valley was the fertile promised land at the end of the trail. Today, culinary dreamers are taking that legendary bounty and creating artisan food & drink you'll have to taste to believe.

OREGON'S Mt. HOOD TERRITORY: Take a tour of the Molalla Country Farm Loop to meet purveyors of local food, wine, native plants and flowers. Gather provisions for a picnic while you learn all about elk and come away with elk jerky from picturesque Rosse Posse Acres Elk Ranch. Check out the Kitchen at Middleground Farms, a recreational cooking school nestled on a family farm. Take your pick of activities at the Oregon Wine Garden, where you can browse the wine history center with a glass of Oregon bubbly in hand or tee off at nearby golf courses. Treat yourself to a heady experience at Villa Catalana, with its pristine hilltop setting, rustic stone villa, rare plant research institute and fragrant vintages. Be sure to reserve a seat at one of the Field & Vine monthly dinners, each held at unique Oregon Farm Loop spots such as a tulip field, llama ranch, or farm with its own narrow gauge railroad. Contact: Samara Phelps - sp@mthoodterritory.com

YAMHILL VALLEY: Escape to the countryside and rural towns of Yamhill Valley. Drive along the scenic roads and drop in for a leisurely wine tasting at Stoller Vineyards in Dayton or a cold pint at the Golden Valley Brewery in McMinnville after touring the Evergreen Aviation Museum, home of Howard Hughes' Spruce Goose. Dine at the internationally-inspired and historic Joel Palmer House, whose menu celebrates wild mushrooms in their 'freestyle cuisine' that pairs their fresh flavors with Oregon wines. Contact: Sheryl Kelsh - sheryl@chehalemvalley.org

SALEM: Oregon's capital city offers culinary delights to please any palate. Start your adventure downtown, where historic buildings contain eateries featuring the best of the region's bounty. Begin at Busick Court, where breakfast is served all day. For lunch head to Amadeus. Your taste buds will revel in the Mediterranean flavors of this family-owned institution. Save room for a delectable cake from Gerry Frank's or a fruit pie from Willamette Valley Pie Co. For wine and food pairings, head to Willamette Valley Vineyards. Soak in the stunning views, or cozy up by the fireplace to taste award-wining Pinot noir and elegant fare from the pairings menu. Travel back to the beginnings of Oregon wine at Honeywood Winery, Oregon's oldest producing winery. It offers fruit and specialty wines and a gourmet shop with Oregon foods and wine-related gifts. Contact: Debbie McCune - dmccune@travelsalem.com

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ALBANY: Known for its 700 historic buildings and remarkably well preserved downtown, Albany sits in the heart of the lush Willamette Valley. Fresh, local ingredients are the common thread in the restaurants on First Avenue whether you are looking for a burger at First Burger, some ribs at Bo Mack's BBQ, or upscale bistro fare at Sweet Red Wine Bistro. Or dine at the only Hungarian restaurant in Oregon, Novak's. Tour the Historic Carousel and Museum to witness or learn first-hand the time honored techniques used to create the carousel animals. Across the street is Sybaris, an eclectic Northwest bistro owned by a James Beard honored chef. Wind down with a nightcap at the Vault 244, or a pint at Calapooia Brewing to get a taste of why Oregon is a hotbed for great micro-brews. Contact: Sherri Pagliari - sherri@AlbanyVisitors.com

Corvallis: You can't get much closer to the source than dining at Gathering Together Farm, a mid-size, certified organic vegetable and fruit producer. Their on-farm restaurant serves seasonally creative French and Italian fare blended with Northwest cuisine. For wine-lovers, Tyee Wine Cellars is located on the Buchanan Family Century Farm with picnic areas and nature trails. For dinner, try the del Alma Restaurant & Bar in downtown Corvallis which combines the flavors of Latin America, the Caribbean and Spain. No matter what time of year you visit, you'll find something to tempt your taste buds; there an array of food and wine events throughout the year, beginning in January with Corvallis Culinary Week, Rhapsody in the Vineyard in March, the craft Beer Picnic in July and the Bounty of Benton County on Labor Day Weekend. Contact: Brandi Ebnersales@VisitCorvallis.com

EUGENE, CASCADES COAS: The Whiteaker Neighborhood, known locally as The Whit, is just west of downtown Eugene and home to two wineries, four breweries, a cidery and a host of eclectic cafes, restaurants and food carts; whether your taste buds are looking for Willamette Valley Pinot noir at Territorial Vineyards & Winery, an IPA at Ninkasi Brewing Company, a treat for your tastebuds at Tacovore or a decadent dessert at Sweet Life Patisserie. For those seeking fine dining paired with fine wine, visit King Estate Winery, the largest winery in the state. Their restaurant sources locally and uses organic produce grown onsite at their 1,033-acre estate. Enjoy farm-to-table at its finest at the Creswell Bakery where Chef Heidi Tunnell creates mouthwatering meals using ingredi-ents from her family's nearby farm. Guests staying at the Inn at the 5th at the 5th Street Public Market will enjoy the delicious seasonal meals at Marché, one of Eugene's premiere restau-rants located right next door. While you're downtown, feast your eyes on freshly picked produce at the Lane County Farm-ers Market, and don't miss the nearby Eugene Saturday Mar-ket, the longest running outdoor crafts market in the country. Taste the bounty of the seasons at the Marketplace at Sprout! in Springfield, the region's only year round farmers market. Contact: Meg Trendler, meg@eugenecascadescoast.org.

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