

# TIPS & RESOURCES FOR NAPA COUNTY

### **Bicycling in Napa County**

Napa County, with its varied terrain, beautiful scenery and mild weather is an ideal place to bicycle for transportation and recreation. All five cities are flat and compact, which is perfect for commuting, running errands, and sight-seeing by bike. Travel between towns via bicycle is not quite as easy because of the distances, limited transit connections, and roads with motor vehicle traffic. Outside of the cities Until the Napa Valley Vine Trail (Class I) is completed, the best recreational cyclists.

spurred on by the need to minimize greenhouse gas emissions, promote a healthier lifestyle, reduce traffic congestion, and to provide non- The east side of the valley is rural, with few public facilities. To motorized transportation alternatives between our communities. This supplement these, several wineries on Silverado Trail have offered use map has been developed as a tool for residents and visitors alike to of their facilities for cyclists needing a rest room, water, or just wanting ride to their destinations in the County by the safest routes available. to take a break. Here are the places where you can take a break when

This bike map shows the current status of our vision to build a system of interconnected local bicycle networks, made up of all types of bike- Judd's Hill Winery ways. These include Class I multi-use paths, physically separated from Pine Ridge Winery roadways, Class II bike lanes, designated by striping on roads, and Napa River Access Class III bike routes, which are roadways designated to be shared by bicycles and other vehicles.

The routes shown on this map are used daily by bicyclists in Napa Hunnicutt Napa Valley County, However, not all routes shown have been designated safe by Dutch Henry Winery a public agency. You must use your own good judgment in assessing Lava Vine Winery the safety of any route you choose and ride the roads at your own risk. In deciding whether a route is safe for you, please consider: your bike Bike Shops and Bike Rentals handling skills, your experience riding in traffic, the time of day, the volume of traffic, the weather, other road conditions, and your own Shops level of comfort using the selected route.

Note that most mountain roads in Napa County are narrow, winding, and may have high seasonal traffic volumes, and some steep sections. 

Calistoga Bikeshop Know your equipment, your ability, and the area in which you are riding, and prepare accordingly. Cell phone service in remote areas is Napa River Velo not assured. Be self-sufficient, keep your equipment in good repair, and carry necessary supplies for changes in weather and other . St. Helena Cyclery conditions. A well-executed trip is a satisfaction to you and not a burden or offense to others. Always wear a helmet. Thank you!

### Code of Courtesy for Using Class I Bicycle Paths

Many "bike paths" in Napa County are multi-use paths meant for bicyclists. pedestrians and skaters. Please respect other trail users as well as private landowners adjacent to the trails by abiding by the following: Getaway Adventures Stay on marked routes and do not leave the path

- Keep dog(s) on leash and under control. Be sure to stoop and scoop Respect the privacy of people living adjacent to the path
- Do not disturb farm animals or wildlife
- Leave flowers, plants and trees for others to enjoy
- Please stay to the right and allow others to pass to your left.
- Cyclists are to ring their bell or call out to announce their presence when approaching other trail users from behind
- Leave nothing but thanks and take nothing but pictures

# **Bicycle Law and Safety Tips**

Dress Bright Use Lights!



regardless of rights, a bicyclist is going to bear the brunt of the damage in a collision with a car, so BE BRIGHT when riding:

- Wear a helmet Wear bright vivid colors to increase visibility to motorists
- Wear reflective apparel and reflective ankle straps when riding at night Turn on bright LED head and tail lights at all times to help
- motorists see you
- Stay alert avoid wearing audio headsets Never ride against traffic
- Obey traffic signs and signals, and basic right-of-way rules Use hand signals to tell other road users what you intend to do
- Ride in a straight line to the right of traffic, but about a car door's width away from parked cars
- Don't ride to the curb between parked cars unless they are far apart

### Follow lane markings: Don't turn left from the right lane

- Don't go straight in a right-turn-only lane
- Stay to the left of the right-turn-only lane if you are going straight

#### Choose the best way to turn left: Signal and use the lanes like a car, or

- Make your turn as a pedestrian by dismounting and walking your bike across the road
- Park considerately to not interfere with pedestrian and vehicle
- Carry your I.D. and emergency contact information

# Transit Information

The VINE, the Napa Valley's fixed-route bus system, provides safe, affordable and accessible transportation for all residents and visitors. All buses in Napa County are equipped with exterior bicycle racks that can carry at least two bicycles (some are equipped with Tourism Information racks to carry three).

Complete bus route and schedule information is available online at: www.ridethevine.com

'Where's My Bus?' is an online feature that allows smart phones to see when a bus will arrive at any VINE bus stop. Access it here: The Vine Trail and Ag Respect http://www.nctpa.net/routes-schedules/wheres-my-bus.html

# Law Enforcement and Public Works

Here are the contact numbers for police or road maintenance concerns. 911 is the emergency number county-wide.

	POLICE	PUBLIC WORKS
American Canyon	(707) 551-0600	(707) 647-4550
Napa	(707) 257-9550	(707) 257-9520
Napa County	(707) 253-4509	(707) 944-0196
Yountville	(707) 944-9228	(707) 944-8851
St. Helena	(707) 967-2850	(707) 968-2658
Calistoga	(707) 942-2810	(707) 942-2828

# **Rest Stops on Silverado Trail**

Look for this logo on the bike-friendly rest stops.



and valley floor, the County's mountains, valleys, and scenery provide bicycling route up and down Napa Valley is the Silverado Trail, on the a world class riding experience that is challenging and rewarding for east side of Napa Valley. It features 26 miles of Class II bike lanes, from Trancas Street in Napa to the junction of Highway 29 in Calistoga. Crossroads provide riders access to the town of Yountville, the There is strong interest in bicycling (and walking) in Napa County, communities of Rutherford and Oakville, and to the city of St. Helena.

riding the trail, starting from Napa, heading North to Calistoga:

2332 Silverado Trail I Napa

5901 Silverado Trail I Napa

- 1700 Yountville Cross Road I Yountville (1/4 mile west of Napa River) (Toilet Only) Jacob Meily Park Pope Street | St. Helena ZD Wines 8383 Silverado Trail I Napa
- 3524 Silverado Trail North I St. Helena 4310 Silverado Trail I Calistoga
  - 965 Silverado Trail I Calistoga

These businesses provide bicycle sales and service: 3335 Solano Ave. I Napa Bicycle Works 707-253-7000 1318 Lincoln St. I Calistoga

(707) 942-9687 680 Main St. I Napa (707) 258-8729 1156 Main St. I St. Helena (707) 963-7736 The Hub Bicycles 2500 Jefferson St. I Napa

#### (707) 253-2453 Rentals These businesses provide bicycle rentals:

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 Calistoga Bikeshop 1318 Lincoln St. I Calistoga (707) 942-9687 301 Post St. I Napa (707) 753-0866

680 Main St. I Napa Napa River Velo (707) 258-8729 Napa Valley Bike Tours 6795 Washington St. I Yountville (707) 251-8687

1147 1st St. I Napa

(707) 968-0625

Adventure Tours (707) 259-1833 St. Helena Cyclery 1156 Main St. I St. Helena (707) 963-7736 709 Main St. I St. Helena ■ Velo Vino

# **Bicycle Clubs and Bicycle Organizations**

The Napa Bicycle Coalition, known as NapaBike, is working with the community to develop more bicycling resources in the County-from Every person riding a bicycle on a roadway or any paved shoulder has bike paths to safety courses to bike maps. Napa Bike has partnered all of the rights and responsibilities applicable to the driver of a motor with Visit Napa Valley and The Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition to provehicle. Obeying traffic laws builds respect for cyclists and reduces duce this map. We express special appreciation to the Napa County the incidence of motorist rage towards bicycle riders. Recognize that Transportation and Planning Agency (NCTPA) for its technical support. This map is an important step toward enabling achievement of the County's long-range strategic goal of having 10 percent of all trips made in Napa County be by bicycle.

## Here is a list of other bicycling organizations important to bicycling in the Bay Area:

 California Bicycle (916) 446-7558 I www.calbike.org Eagle Cycling Club www.eaglecyclingclub.org

East Bay (510) 845-7433 I www.ebbc.org Bicycle Coalition League of (202) 822-1333 I www.bikeleague.org

American Bicyclists Marin County (415) 456-3469 I www.marinbike.org Bicycle Coalition

 Napa County (707) 812-1700 I www.napabike.org Bicycle Coalition

 North Bay BMX (707) 256-0269 I www.northbaybmx.com Rails-to-Trails (415) 814-1100 I www.railstrails.org Conservancy

 San Francisco www.sfbike.org Bicycle Coalition

 San Franciso www.sfrandonneurs.org Randonneurs Silicon Valley (408) 287-7259 I www.bikesiliconvalley.org

 Sonoma County (707) 545-0153 I www.bikesonoma.org Bicycle Coalition

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The Napa Valley Welcome Center in the city of Napa and the visitor information centers in each town offer a plenitude of free maps, brochures, and bike-friendly lodging availability. And be sure to check out http://www.visitnapavalley.com which is a great resource for visitors.

THE NAPA VALLEY VINE TRAIL COALITION is a grass-roots nonprofit The Route 11 bus and the VINE 29 Commuter Express connect to the with a vision to build a walking/biking trail system connecting the Vallejo Ferry Terminal. Bikes are welcome on the ferry to San Francisco. entire Napa Valley. We're working to design, fund, construct, and maintain 47 safe and scenic miles of level, paved, family-friendly, free-access Class I trail, stretching from the Vallejo Ferry to Calistoga. While completion will take time, significant sections of the Vine Trail will open within the next 2-5 years. Follow our progress at vinetrail.org. A portion of map proceeds benefits the Vine Trail.

> TRAILS & AG RESPECT: Napa County is an agricultural community. Vineyards and lands adjoining trails are not public parks. Respect private property, do not trespass on agricultural operations or interfere with crops. The Vine Trail and all Napa County trails are designed in cooperation with the celebrated Ag Preserve-a pioneering landzoning ordinance that protects farming and open space. Check out this AG RESPECT TRAILSIDE GUIDE and support our local farmers.



EXPECT AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES & KEEP CLEAR STAY WITHIN TRAIL BOUNDARIES (PETS, TOO) PREVENT SPREAD OF NON-NATIVE SPECIES ELIMINATE ALL TRACE & TRASH (FROM PETS, TOO)









