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SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023
NAPA GETAWAY AT CASPAR ESTATE FOR 6
Stunning 25 Acre Caspar Estate - 4 Bedrooms, Pool, Tennis Courts, Vineyard, Olive Orchard + A Private Wine Tasting
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Say hello to the ultimate wine country retreat. You'll enjoy three nights at Caspar Estate, a stunning property conveniently located between Rutherford and St. Helena on Whitehall Lane, overlooking the breathtaking Napa Valley.

The Estate is a private 25-acre retreat that boasts a heated pool, tennis court, and plenty of space to relax and unwind. You'll also have the chance to explore all the delicious food and drink the area has to offer, with Model Bakery, Rutherford Grill, Oakville Grocery, and Yountville all just a short drive away.

As a special bonus, during your stay, you'll also enjoy a private wine tasting on the property, where you'll sample some of the fine wines from the surrounding vineyards.

And if three nights just aren't enough, additional nights can be purchased and arranged with the owner. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to experience the ultimate wine country getaway at Caspar Estate. Place your bid and get ready to indulge in the best of Napa Valley.

3 night stay valid through 2024. Stays are based upon availability at the time of request and must be agreed upon by the owner.

N-HOME CHEF DINNER FOR 12
With Melons Catering and Events - Includes 3 Course Meal, Paired Wines, Passed Hors d’oeuvres

Get ready for a dinner party in your home with your own personal chef from Melons. Your group of twelve will prepare themselves for an outstanding culinary experience and a fantastic evening. Your dinner will include passed hors d’oeuvres, a three course meal, and wine pairings.

Melons transforms the merest hints of culinary ideas into stunning, hand-crafted events.

They have deep experience creating culinary wonders, an abiding love of collaboration, and a pressing need to get the details right.

Don't miss this in-home private chef opportunity for a night to be remembered!

A 3-course meal with passed hors d’oeuvres and paired wines for up to 12 people, on a mutually agreed upon date (excludes December). Expires November 2024.

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Your party of 2 will have three nights in London and two nights at Hever Castle & Gardens. This enchanting auction package includes your stay at a fabulous new London hotel, The 1 Hotel Mayfair, London, and a premier stay on the gorgeous and romantic grounds of Hever Castle & Gardens.

Want to stay longer or add more to your party? No problem! Additional nights or guests can be accommodated directly with the hotel and Hever Castle & Gardens.

The fabulous 1 Hotel Mayfair hotel, just steps from London’s iconic Green Park, and a 5 minute train ride to Big Ben, was built and refurbished from two existing buildings and reimagined to reduce Co2 emissions and accelerate sustainable practices. In addition to the live green walls, the hotel features 1,300 plants through its verdant grounds.

**About Hever Castle & Gardens**

Discover magnificent award-winning gardens set in 125 acres of glorious grounds at Hever Castle & Gardens. Marvel at the Pompeian Wall and classical statuary in the Italian Garden; admire the giant topiary chess set and inhale the fragrance of over 5,000 rose bushes in the quintessential English Rose Garden. The Loggia, overlooking the 38-acre lake, is the perfect spot to relax before exploring the many cascades, grottoes and fountains. A stroll through the Tudor Garden, Blue Corner or Rhododendron Walk provide color and interest throughout the year.

Our two-night Hever Castle & Gardens stay in the Astor Wing’s premier room includes breakfast and a complimentary lunch in the castle’s restaurants. You’ll also receive a bottle of Hever Castle & Gardens Gin to enjoy. During your visit, you’ll have the opportunity to explore the castle’s rich history and beautiful gardens on a full private tour, led by your knowledgeable host. Hever Castle & Gardens guide books will also be provided.

This package is valid from Aug 2023 to Aug 2024, and additional nights and guests can be arranged through direct booking. Hever is easily accessible from London, and a taxi service can be arranged in advance from Hever Station as there are no permanent ranks at the station.

Place your bid and get ready to head to the London and Hever Castle & Gardens.

3 Night Stay in a King Room at the newly opened 1 Hotel Mayfair (opening in Mayfair, London this summer 2023, the first 1 Hotel within Europe) Valid August 2023–2024 | Blackout dates apply and subject to availability.
using natural, renewable materials that are carefully sourced from sustainable forests, plantations, and eco-conscious suppliers.

Elevated, timeless, and luxuriously comfortable, the Natura Sectional invites you to lounge and gather with a beauty and modularity suited to all outdoor spaces, from cozy porches and urban terraces to sprawling lawns and poolside retreats. Regenerative rattan is expertly steamed and shaped into warm, organic silhouettes, complimented with bio-based weatherproof cushions made from latex foam and Texstyle, OEKO-100 certified recyclable fabrics upcycled from single use plastic water bottles.

Get ready for your Warriors VIP experience! Your party of four will enjoy an unforgettable night at a Warriors game with four passes to the JP Morgan Courtside Club and amazing seats (section 101 12-15).

But that’s just the beginning — after the game, meet Coach Kerr and attend the post-game press conference. You and your party will be escorted to Coach Kerr’s press conference and will meet with Coach Kerr after the press conference.

This amazing package includes JP Morgan court side club, where you’ll be treated to food and beverages throughout the game.

To make sure your night is stress free from start to finish, we’re throwing in parking for one car as well.

The lucky winner will also receive a $500 gift certificate to Miller and Lux, the Tyler Florence restaurant inside Chase Center. You’ll be able to treat yourself and your friends to a delicious meal before or after the game — just be sure to make your own reservation.

Don’t miss out on this incredible opportunity to see the Warriors up close and personal, attend the press conference, meet Coach Steve Kerr, and enjoy a night of VIP treatment. Place your bid now for this priceless package.

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This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to own a unique, commissioned painting by the renowned artist Gary Bukovnik. Gary will work closely with you to determine your preferred color scheme, subject matter, and point of view. Whether it’s a still life, a close-up of blossoms, or a composition, the final result will be tailored to your taste.

The unframed painting will measure 29.5 x 40 inches. You’ll be encouraged to discuss your vision with Gary, giving you the opportunity to get involved in the artistic process.

For inspiration, included in the package are two autographed Gary Bukovnik books. You can also visit Gary’s studio to gain further insight into his creative process. This personalized experience is a special opportunity to own a one-of-a-kind piece of art by a beloved painter.

Please note that the paintings pictured are for reference only and have already been sold. Don’t miss your chance to own a unique painting by Gary while also gaining insight into the artist’s world.

About Gary Bukovnik

Born and educated in Cleveland, Gary Bukovnik has lived in San Francisco for more than a third of a century. Primarily using the media of watercolor, monotype, and lithograph, Bukovnik fuses sensual vitality with fluid yet powerful colorations, creating floral and culinary images of great depth, intensity, and size.

In 2003 and 2005, Bukovnik was Visiting Artist at the American Academy in Rome in 2003 and 2005 and was an artist-in-residence at the Michigan Institute of Arts in Kalamazoo in 2010, as well as making a tour of exhibitions and watercolor demonstrations across Japan in 2010.

Solo exhibitions include Caldwell Snyder Gallery in San Francisco and in St. Helena, CA, Campton Gallery in New York City; the Concept Gallery in Pittsburgh, the A.C.T. Gallery in San Francisco, and the Bonfoey Gallery in Cleveland. Other recent exhibitions have been organized by the Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Paula Brown Gallery, Toledo, Neuhoff Gallery, New York; Lisa Kurts Gallery, Memphis; Irving Galleries, Palm Beach; Galerie Kutter, Luxembourg; the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art, Johnstown, Pennsylvania; Chin Show Cultural Center, Taipei; Takashimaya, Tokyo; the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh; and Brevard Museum of Art, Melbourne, Florida.

Commission arrangement must be started by June 2024.
Indulge in an exquisite culinary experience with a private dinner for up to 8 guests at restaurant Cultivar in San Francisco, hosted by owner Jody Harris. This intimate dining venue offers locally sourced, seasonal ingredients and flavors from the renowned Napa Valley, with limited production wines that showcase the best of California’s wine appellations.

Located in the Marina District, the restaurant features a private patio with a roaring fireplace, outdoor seating on its Chestnut Street deck, and indoor dining options. With its close proximity to iconic landmarks like the Presidio, the Palace of Fine Arts, and the Golden Gate Bridge, this restaurant offers an unparalleled dining experience in a prime location.

The dinner will include a private wine tasting experience, allowing guests to sample the exceptional Cultivar wine selection. The seasonal menu will feature delectable dishes you won’t soon forget.

This exclusive package is perfect for food and wine enthusiasts looking for a unique evening out in the heart of San Francisco.

Experience Includes:
- 5 Night Stay in a Luxury Room at the Cortona Resort & Spa Daily Breakfast Buffet for (2)
- 3 Course Dinner at La Corte Restaurant for (2)
- Massage Treatment for (2)
- Unlimited access to the Wellness Center which includes Sauna, Turkish baths, Salt Room with Chromotherapy, Multisensory Showers, and much more.
- Cooking Class and Dinner with Chef Ryan Hanley for (2)

Picturesque Tuscany: the perfect place to spend intimate days immersed in the tranquil splendor of nature. In a village of historic charm and elegance, Cortona Resort & Spa rises as an eighteenth-century villa surrounded by Tuscan-style buildings and an evergreen park. 30,000 square meters of complete solitude. From an ancient redwood façade, paved courtyards and evocative footpaths lead to the formal gardens, swimming pool and solarium. This unique Tuscany resort with its elegantly furnished 26 rooms lies hidden just a short mile from the center of the marvelous Etruscan town of Cortona.

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Your auction package redemption voucher will be emailed to you. Please allow 15 days for your redemption voucher to be delivered from the time payment is received. You will need your redemption voucher number when contacting our concierge department for booking your travel. Travel needs to be booked within one year and traveled within two years. As well travel must be booked a minimum of 60 days in advance and reservations are subject to availability. All certificates should be handled with care as they are the same as cash and non-refundable. Auction packages cannot be resold. Blackout Dates Weeks of Christmas and New Years and Month of August.
Magnificently positioned on a series of hills that slope down to the great Tagus river, Lisbon is one of the world’s most scenic cities. The picturesque streets are full of colors, with characteristic trams zipping up and down, incredible gastronomy, and a pleasant climate that makes this one of the most beloved capital cities in Europe. The city has an unpolished, seductive appearance, with effortless beauty and captivating details found in the cobblestone streets, tiled facades and pastel colored buildings, all blending together to create a unique atmosphere.

Lisbon intertwines its distinctly different souls together, from the vibrant and cosmopolitan districts of Chiado and Bairro Alto to the more traditional and popular neighborhoods, such as Alfama, where the traditional Portuguese Fado music was first born. In a city as stunning as this, it is no wonder that many of the world’s great explorers asked themselves what other beauty might exist beyond the horizon, as they set out on their explorations from this exact place in the 15th century.

Four of you will stay in a charming apartment for 5 evenings, situated in the heart of Lisbon, with 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, a fully equipped kitchen, cozy living area, wifi and AC in all of the rooms. This modern and comfortable property is the perfect base for exploring the city.

The four of you will venture out on a full day trip to nearby Sintra to visit the renowned, gorgeous palaces and estates that truly seem to have come straight from a fairy tale! A private driver will bring you to visit the former royal retreats of Pena Palace and Quinta da Regaleira, stroll through the Unesco site of Sintra, enjoy the ocean air of Cascais and visit Cabo da Roca, the westernmost point of continental Europe.

No visit to Lisbon would be complete without experiencing a live Fado show, a form of Portuguese singing and music born on the streets of the city and often associated with pubs, cafés, and restaurants in the region. You will enjoy a delicious, traditional dinner in a typical local restaurant while being entertained by an emotional, live Fado performance.

- 5 night stay for 4 in Lisbon
- 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom charming apartment
- Full day private tour of Sintra for 4 with transportation
- Live Fado show and dinner for 4 in a traditional restaurant
- Utilities and final cleaning
- Booking & concierge service

Details:
- 24 months to travel and booking must be made within 6 months of event date. Subject to availability.
- Package redemption voucher will be emailed to the winner and will be needed when contacting the concierge department for booking your travel. Airfare is not included, unless otherwise noted.
- All certificates should be handled with care as they are the same as cash and non-refundable. Cannot be resold. Blackout dates are the weeks of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years and any other periods indicated within the package description.
Escape to the stunning coastal community of Sea Ranch. You’ll enjoy a luxurious 5-night stay at a well-appointed home in the west meadows, just 300 yards from the ocean and with immediate access to the Bluff Trail.

This 3-bedroom home boasts stunning blue ocean views and an enclosed garden of 1400 square feet, with a hot tub and 5-burner grill on the patio. You’ll have plenty of deck space for soaking up the sun and watching the sunset. The home also comes equipped with wifi and a Level 2 electric car charger to accommodate all car types.

As a special bonus, the lucky winner will also receive a $200 gift certificate for the Sea Ranch Lodge Restaurant, where they can enjoy delicious coastal cuisine and gorgeous ocean views. You’ll also receive two tickets to the Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens, where you can explore beautiful plant life and captivating coastal vistas. And to top it all off, you’ll receive six bottles of Gracianna Vineyards wine to enjoy during your stay.

Don’t miss out on this incredible opportunity to experience the best of Sea Ranch. This is your chance to relax, unwind, and soak up the beauty of the California coast.

**G L O R Y  O F  T H E  G A R D E N S**

Private After Hours Reception and Tour For Up to 50 at Conservatory of Flowers + Private Tour of Japanese Tea Garden + Opening Tickets at Flower Piano at San Francisco Botanical Garden

Your party of up to 50 people will have private and after-hours access to the Conservatory of Flowers. Enjoy a champagne reception and tour the historic landmark and rare and exotic plants from around the world.

In addition, this package includes a private curator tour of the Japanese Tea Garden, one of San Francisco’s most beautiful destinations. After your tour, enjoy a $100 gift certificate to the café or store, where you can indulge in delicious teas, snacks, and souvenirs.

As if that wasn’t enough, you’ll also receive two tickets to the opening night of Flower Piano at the San Francisco Botanical Garden, where you can enjoy live music amidst the stunning natural beauty of the garden.

Don’t miss this opportunity to support our gardens and win this unique package to immerse yourself in the world of botanical beauty and our iconic sites.

Dates based upon availability at time of request and mutually agreed upon.
Keith L. McLane, BAS, is one of the country’s preeminent fundraising auctioneers, special appeal/fund-a-need experts, and event-based fundraising educators. Since 1995, he has specialized in organizing and conducting charity and fundraising auctions for schools, charitable organizations, and nonprofit groups from Honolulu to New York City. Never the shy one, Keith has become well-known for his fun and entertaining auctioneering style that frequently takes him out from behind the podium and deep into the audience! Keith Holds an MBA from The UCLA Anderson School of Management and is a graduate of the world-famous Missouri Auction School, which Newsweek magazine dubs “The Harvard of Auctioneering.” He is also one of only a small number of auctioneers in the country — and only 20 auctioneers in California — to have achieved the National Auctioneers Association’s prestigious Benefit Auction Specialist (BAS) designation.

You will have the opportunity during the live auction to raise your hand and join others in support. Your donations to Gardens of Golden Gate Park contribute to the essential work of preserving unique and diverse plant collections and sustaining and advancing our iconic sites and gardens.

Value: PRICELESS

Everyone goes home a winner!

In recognition of the Conservatory of Flowers, Japanese Tea Garden, and the San Francisco Botanical Garden.