



FOR LUXURY TRAVELLERS IN SEARCH of satiating their refined tastes and thirst for good wine, an opulent holiday by acres of precious vineyards may be just the thing.

There's nothing quite as enchanting as waking up in one of the world's greatest and most majestic wine regions. Gazing out from a well-appointed suite and onto rolling hills of high-quality grape vines is a dream in itself. Add this to dining on superb food paired with an even more superb Pinot noir or Chardonnay, toasting with some of the best bottles of Champagne, or simply sampling the most magnificent vintages—and you have the makings of the wine-lover's perfect luxury holiday.

Vina Vik (Millahue, Chile)

Glinting as a golden-hued gem in the midst of an 11,000-acre vineyard, Vina Vik offers a wine-loving luxury traveler an experience unlike any other.

Removed from the old and rustic, Vina Vik is like a sparkling new treasure unearthed from the grape vines themselves. But let this not trick you—the hotel's location was painstakingly chosen to ensure the best possible quality of grapes for winemaking. Luckily, guests are also afforded with a majestic view of the snow-capped Andes and a picturesque spread of the Chilean countryside. What is even more amazing is the beauty that Vina Vik holds within.

This is because Vina Vik is designed also with art in mind. That is why a stay in the hotel offers something like a visit to a surrealist art gallery, with canvas, sculpture and stylized furniture weaving through the luxe-modern interiors of the property. And if that's not enough, the outdoors also serves as a work of art framed by the building's glass walls and open walkways. Meanwhile, the 22 avant-garde rooms invite guests to soak in all the art and natural beauty, as there are no televisions to distract them. There's no shortage of activities, however. Horseback riding through the lush landscape can keep guests occupied outdoors, while indoors, a games and lounge area provides an array of activities to pass the time.

Opting for one of the four master suites, guests can enjoy a 180-degree view of Mil-lahue. The main attraction in these suites, however, comes from the hammock-style bath designed by Antonio Sequi, which allows guests to soak in after a day of wine-tasting and just enjoy the panorama.

Forget about sun, sea and sand. Wine, dine and more wine is all that matters to those who are looking for the ultimate vacation that will satisfy their discerning tastes for exceptional accommodations, and most importantly, their even more discriminating tastes for wine. <<

