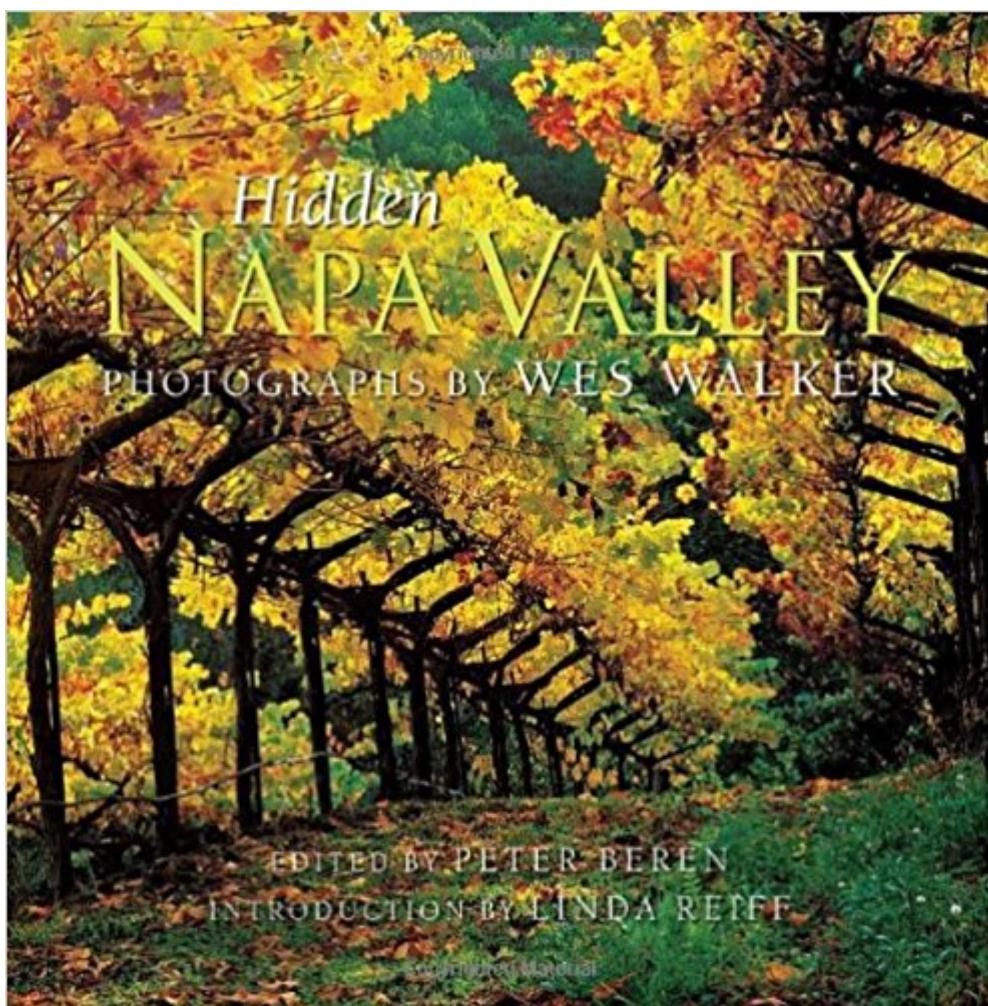


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# Hidden Napa Valley, Revised And Expanded Edition



## Synopsis

Here is a unique portrait of California's beloved wine country. From its stunning landscape to its culture and gourmet sophistication, these striking images of the valley, captured throughout the seasons, illustrate the unique treasures of California's prized vineyards. Chronicled in color photographs by gifted local photographer Wes Walker, this portrait of California's promised land comes alive in history, legend, and lore. Updated with many new locations, this enlarged edition has also been expanded to include an index as well as a resource guide packed with great Napa wineries, shops, hotels, B&Bs, and restaurants. Accompanied by quotations from great writers and personalities including: Robert Mondavi, Robert Louis Stevenson, Ernest Hemingway, Galileo, Ursula K. Le Guin, MFK Fisher, Dawnine Dyer, and Herb Caen.

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"Explore the lush green and fertile landscape of California's Napa Valley with noted photographer Wes Walker. For this book he assembled a beautiful collection of well-crafted images that tell the story of the rich vineyards and the many experienced vintners who transform the fruit into delicate wines. It's a colorful virtual tour that is certain to inspire you to explore the valley for yourself."-Shutterbug Magazine, C.A. Boylan"Hidden Napa Valley is a collection of full color photographs of California's wine country which has a distinct natural beauty not easily seen elsewhere in the world.Â Loooking over the history of the beautiful piece of nature, Peter Beren presents a collection of vivid photography and quotations from many individuals famous and not so famous on the region...a top pick for any who want a gorgeous collection."-Reviewer's Bookwatch,

Midwest Book Review "Hidden Napa Valley with spectacular photographs by Wes Walker is another one of those books that you must have and keep on your coffee table. The focus is a wine lover's paradise but the focus is also on one of the most beautiful parts of the United States in all its glory. More than 100 color photos showcase the history and the present of this special area. A SPECIAL BOOK." -Travel-Watch.com "The book takes the reader on a sensual journey through all the seasons of the valley...a visual feast for any wine lover who has visited Napa or for locals who will be dazzled by Wes Walker's photographs." -Julia Hollister, Northern California Wine Examiner "Visually stunning." -Tufts Magazine

WES WALKER was born in California and lived in Napa for nearly three decades. His photographs were first published in the 1970s by the Sierra Club and have subsequently appeared in Sierra, The New Yorker, National Geographic Adventure, The Smithsonian, and The American Museum of Natural History. In 2004, his Napa photographs were the subject of a one-man show at the Jessel Gallery in Napa. Walker not only photographed the Napa and Sonoma areas but also participated in the local industry as a grower of premium Cabernet Sauvignon grapes for Silver Oak Cellars.

Welcome Books has published two other books of Walker's photographs: *Hidden Sonoma* (2006) and *Tuscan Country: A Photographer's Journey* (2007). PETER BEREN is co-author of *The Writer's Companion* (Perseus), and editor of *California the Beautiful* (Welcome Books). Peter is the former publisher of Sierra Club Books and founding publisher of VIA Books. He lives in the San Francisco Bay area. LIND REIFF has served as executive director of the Napa Valley Vintners (NVV) association since 1995. Under her leadership NVV membership has reached nearly 400 wineries, marketing and promotions programs have expanded worldwide, and the organization has become a leader on key industry issues. THE NVV is the creator and organizer of Auction Napa Valley, the world's most successful charity wine auction, which has given \$90 million to local health care, youth development, and affordable housing causes. Reiff worked with Wes Walker while he served as a community member of the Auction Napa Valley Board of Directors from 2002 to 2007.

Beautiful photography!

I lived most of my life near Napa Valley, I now live across the country. Every time I look at this book, it reminds me of home!

I bought this as an anniversary present for my husband because he proposed to me in Napa. The

photographs in this gorgeous "scrapbook" brought back all the wonderful memories of our trip, captivated everything we loved about the place, and made us crave the lifestyle of Napa enough to ask "when can we go back?".

This is a beautiful book with great pictures. It is well done and makes a great "small" coffee table book. You will not be disappointed in this book.

I was expecting this to be a trek of places to visit. What it became was a rather rambling collection of photos that left a lot to be desired. Since this book was recommended by Outdoor Photography magazine, I had high hopes. Didn't happen!

Lovely book. I gave this to a family member who was planning a trip to the Napa Valley...a great fit.

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