

# FUN IN THE INLAND EMPIRE



**above:** The historic Filippi Winery cellar, site of special events such as this winemaker's dinner, is home to giant casks each holding enough wine for nearly 130,000 bottles.

**JUST A FEW MINUTES** from SkyWest service at the Ontario International Airport, the bustling burg of Rancho Cucamonga serves as a hub for SoCal's Inland Empire. The home of five recently opened business-class hotels, it offers ample leisure diversions as well. Consider these possibilities:

**THE AWARD-WINNING JOSEPH FILIPPI WINERY**, a Rancho Cucamonga landmark for more than 80 years, offers daily tours and tastings. Located at 12467 Base Line, it's less than five minutes from I-15 and I-10. For more information, visit [www.josephfilippiwinery.com](http://www.josephfilippiwinery.com).

**THE WINE TAILOR**, as the name indicates, offers patrons custom-designed labels. More than 20 wines may be sampled before teaming vintage with visage. Open every day except Monday, 8916 Foothill Boulevard. Visit [www.thewinetaylor.com](http://www.thewinetaylor.com) for more information.

**ROUTE 66, REVISITED.** It's been a long time since folks "got their kicks" along famed Route 66, but the legend lives on. America's first notable east-west highway passes through Rancho Cucamonga and is celebrated at the Route 66 Visitors Center, 2418-D Foothill Boulevard. Nostalgia and history mingle here. Watch for the neon sign. You'll learn much about America's open-road heritage and have the chance to buy your fill of neon and other memorabilia once inside. Call 909-383-1256 for more information. ■