

## ***Vintage Towers Inn Backgrounder***

Come discover Vintage Towers, one of the finest bed and breakfast Inns in Sonoma County. Located in Cloverdale, California, the inn sits at the crossroads of four wine valleys – Russian River Valley, Anderson Valley, Alexander Valley, and Dry Creek Valley. Situated on a tree-lined street, the Inn is just one block from gourmet dining, shopping, and special events.

This lovingly preserved Queen Anne Victorian, built in 1901, is privileged to be listed on the United States Register of Historic Places. Vintage Towers was built for wealthy merchant and mining executive Simon Pinschower and originally contained only one tower - a round tower like those so commonly found in Queen Anne style buildings. In 1913, the building's original architect, Brainerd Jones, was commissioned to design and complete two additional unusual towers which inspired the Inn's name. Each new tower was built in a different shape -- one square, and one octagonal, setting the house apart from others of its day. Many details and accents are original to the house and in remarkable condition. And the many antiques and collectibles throughout the Inn reflect a period of beauty and serenity.

Vintage Towers firmly supports Ecotourism, preserving our environment and the local community. Stay at Vintage Towers and participate in one of our "Green Getaways", a unique itinerary of eco-friendly activities that feature the local Farmer's Market, workshops on growing your own vegetables, wine-tasting at nearby organic/biodynamic/sustainable wineries, wine and food pairings featuring seasonal and local ingredients, and a tour of the Inn's demonstration vineyard - all in the heart of wine country. See our "Specials" page for further information on our "Green Getaway"<sup>™</sup>.

Our grounds are designed with you in mind — to enjoy the temperate wine country weather! Daytime temperatures are warm, with low humidity, and even the evenings between May and November are mild enough to sit outside without heaters. A wisteria-covered forty-foot veranda wraps around the front and side of the house, providing a cool spot for a good book or an afternoon nap. There is a vintage gazebo for that evening glass of wine, a large shaded patio where you can picnic or watch the fish in the koi ponds, and a wrought iron pavilion with additional seating for groups. Landscaped flowerbeds and walkways behind the house invite you to wander through the garden or sit and observe the birds and butterflies. It's magical.

In the morning, you will be charmed out of bed and down the great staircase by the aroma of a multi-course gourmet breakfast, prepared using produce from our own gardens. Our breakfasts, served in the gorgeous wood-paneled dining room, prepare guests for a day of wine tasting and exploring the lovely countryside. In the evening, assorted home-baked refreshments await you on the veranda or in the library. Specialties include Basil and Artichoke Frittata, Orange-Zested French Toast, Cherry Scones, and Apricot Cream Cheese Coffecake.

Our seven spacious and finely restored guestrooms offer a warm and inviting setting reminiscent of more graceful times. All rooms have private baths, central air conditioning, wireless internet access, featherbeds, luxury linens, upscale amenities and

plush robes. Room rates vary from \$129 to \$249 per day, depending on the room and time of year.

***Vintage Tower Suite*** - This large royal-blue suite is furnished with a stunning Eastlake queen-size walnut and marble bedroom set dating back to the 1860's. There is a five-sided tower featuring a romantic sitting area, satellite TV and a fireplace for relaxing. The original bathroom has a vintage pedestal sink and claw foot soaking tub and shower. Enjoy the private balcony, complete with a telescope for stargazing.

***Helen's Tower Suite*** - This butter-yellow suite boasts a king-size iron and brass bed, complemented by a carved Victorian fainting couch. A matching Victorian parlor set, satellite TV and a fireplace are located in the square tower of the suite, which looks out on the gazebo below. Take a long soak in the antique claw foot tub to unwind before slipping into bed.

***Judith's Tower Suite*** - Located in the mansion's original circular tower dating back to 1901, this suite is decorated with a queen-size sleigh bed and matching bedroom set in antique black walnut. The sitting area, complete with fireplace and satellite TV, offers a panoramic view of the area. There is a private bath with a claw foot tub and shower. The loveseat in the sitting area can accommodate a third person upon request.

***Rose's Room*** - This spacious sunny room boasts a vintage queen-size bed, accompanied by marble bedside tables. If you're in the mood for a bubble bath in the claw foot soaking tub, it's just a few steps from the bed, because the tub is right in the room! A separate water closet for privacy, a daybed with trundle, and an antique armoire complete the room. The daybed and trundle can accommodate two additional guests upon request.

***Scarlett's Room*** - True to its name, this is a room with a Southern attitude! This lovely room, furnished with rose-covered wallpaper and a queen-sized antique bedroom set. By the window, there is a cozy sitting area overlooking the Koi ponds and gazebo. The detached private bath has an adorable antique claw foot maid's tub and shower.

***Mary's Room*** - An antique carved walnut queen-size bed and two walnut chairs adorn this room, complementing the floral wallpaper and embroidered drapes. Four windows overlook the Koi ponds and garden. The small private bath in the room has a shower.

***Alice's Room/Suite*** – Alice's Room is located on the ground floor of the inn and can be rented as a single room with a carved walnut king bed and a loveseat (that converts to a twin sleeper) for cuddling or watching TV. This room can accommodate up to three adults.

This space can also be rented as Alice's Suite, with the second adjoining room containing a full-size sofa bed, DVD and CD player, and a sitting area by the fireplace. Both rooms have pale blue walls, TVs and share a private bath featuring

an inlaid tile walk-in shower. This second room will accommodate up to two adults and can only be rented as part of the suite.

During the day, have a professional massage in your room, nap on the wisteria-covered 40 foot veranda, visit Lake Sonoma, or go wine tasting at one of the 100+ wineries nearby. The inn sits at the crossroads of four wine valleys – Russian River Valley, Anderson Valley, Alexander Valley, and Dry Creek Valley. Hosts Don and Mary have maps, winery information, special tasting discount coupons and insider tips for you at the Inn. They would be delighted to arrange wine tastings and private tours not available to the general public. In addition, the picturesque town of Healdsburg is just 15 minutes away, with its world-class restaurants and tasting rooms, unique furnishing and antique shops, art galleries and boutiques and much more.

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