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The Urbanization of the Tasting Room Creates Alternative DTC Channels









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RISE OF THE SATELLITE TASTING ROOM

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2008

The pace of new tasting room openings increases and in 2008, the number of new tasting rooms opened officially beats out the number of new winery facilities.



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2019

DTC sales represent 65 percent of an average winery's revenue. Most direct sales growth has taken place over the past decade and growth has accelerated during the last five years, driven by tasting rooms and clubs. More than 90 percent of urban tasting rooms in existence opened in 2003 or later; 40 percent have opened since 2013.

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2020

COVID-19 disrupts the world as we know it. Online beverage alcohol sales peaked in late April with a 551% YOY growth rate, with triple-digit growth continuing through the end of June. New customers are introduced to the world of wine... will they stay interested? What will they be looking for when they come back?

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2022

WBM's Michael S. Lasky reports the Rise of the Satellite Tasting Rooms has reached a "tipping point" and are often concentrated in key urban areas near CA's wine regions. Top reasons for opening a satellite tasting room include limitations on # of visitors allowed, rising travel costs and lower visitor numbers, and/or ability to showcase multiple brands,













Santa Barbara Tasting Room at Hotel Californian















Vineyard & Winery Buellton, California











Region.

- redefining how wine is shared and connecting people to their Region through wine

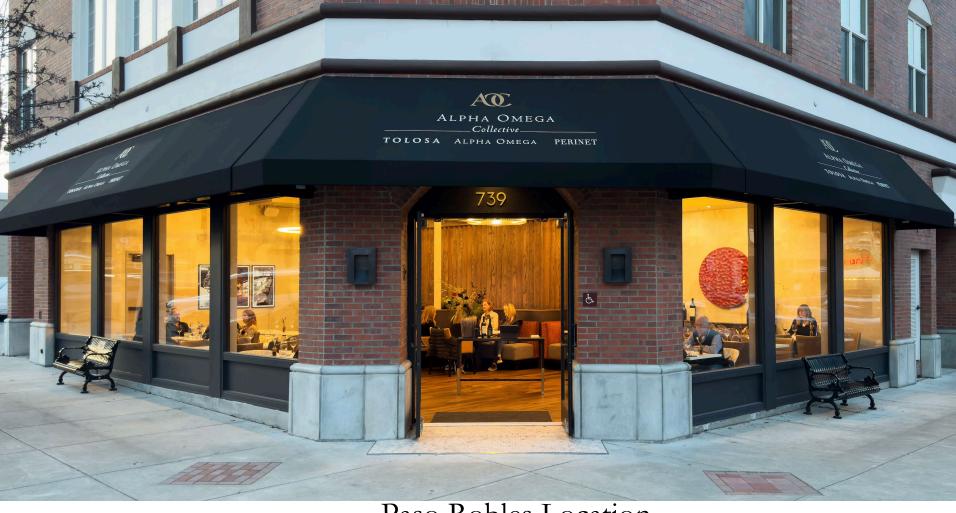




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Paso Robles Location











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- Carmel Plaza
- Vineyard Tasting Room
- Carmel by the Sea

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