



THE ABBEY OF OUR LADY OF  
**NEW CLAIRVAUX**  
— VINA, CALIFORNIA —

**Guidelines for Your Trip**

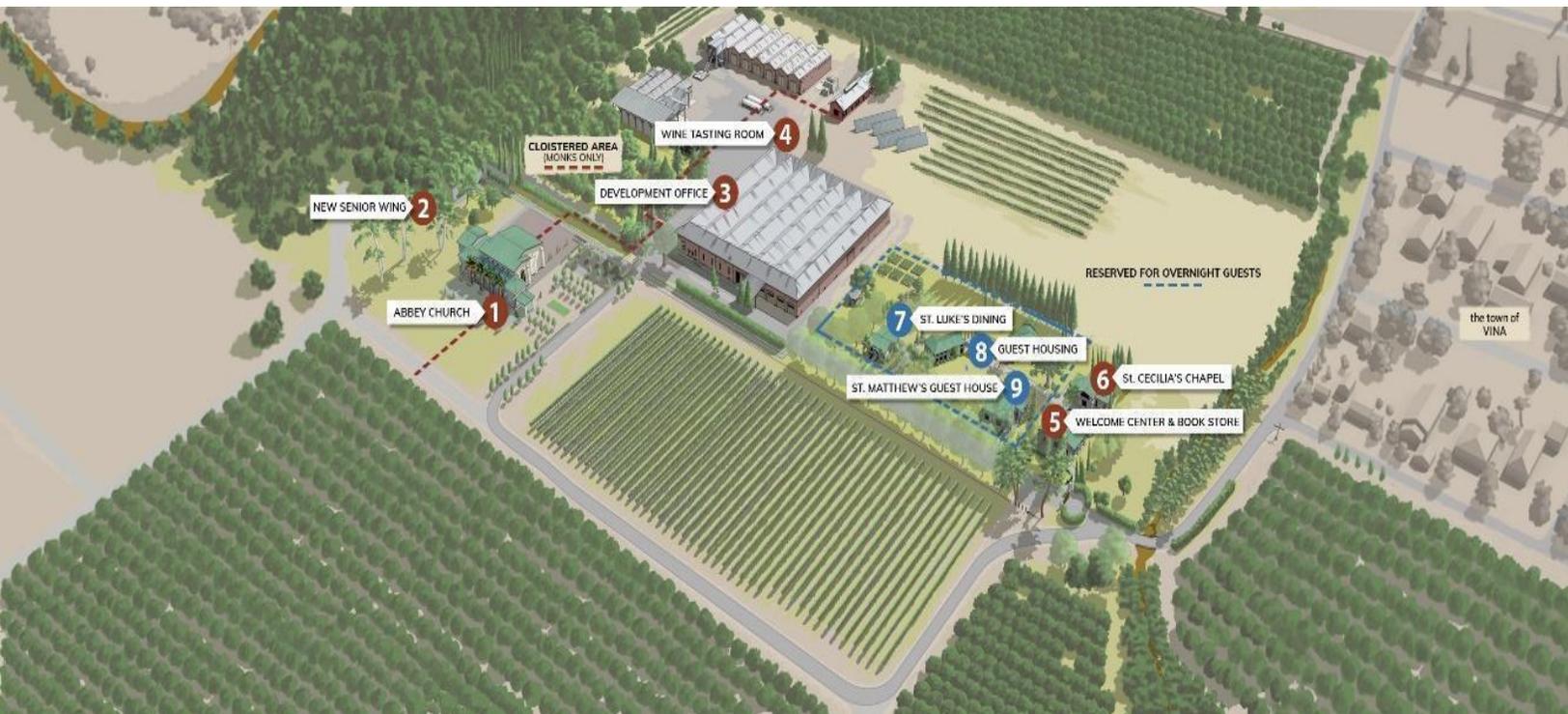
**Here are a few guidelines that we ask all of our visitors to observe during their visit:**

- ❖ As the group leader, we would appreciate it if you would review and share these guidelines with your group.
- ❖ Park your vehicle(s) at the Abbey Church (1) or the Wine Tasting Room (4). Tour buses can most easily be parked at the Wine Tasting Room (4).
- ❖ The Abbey's Book & Gift Store is located near the Welcome Center (5). The Book & Gift Store is managed by Br. William. Operation hours are as follows: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM and 2:30 PM – 4:15 PM; however, alternative arrangements can be made if requested in advance.
- ❖ Please be mindful of your surroundings. The monks and retreat guests are here for spiritual reflection, and quiet study. As the group leader, please take the lead on managing the behavior of your group. **We ask that you keep your voices low.**
- ❖ Please dress modestly and be mindful that you are visiting a monastery and a church.
- ❖ Drive slowly coming in and out of the monastery and observe designated parking areas. A map of the grounds is included.
- ❖ There are no picnic facilities on the monastery grounds. There are parks nearby, including Woodson Bridge Park and other recreation areas in downtown Vina. The historic Lassen Steakhouse in Vina opens at 4:00 PM Thursday thru Sunday. Reservations can be made at [www.lassensteak.com](http://www.lassensteak.com). Special arrangements can possibly be made, through the Steakhouse, for a modified menu for groups of 40+, on any day except for Monday.
- ❖ Out of respect for the docents, as well as the church, it is suggested that **all phones be put on silent**. If possible, limit phone usage during the tour, especially in the church.
- ❖ There is a suggested donation of \$10 per person for docent-led tours. Checks can be made payable to **Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux**, and cash is also accepted. A donation is not required; however, it supports the mission of providing docent-led tours, providing tour/educational materials, and for the training of docent volunteers. We provide tours to elementary and high school students free of a suggested donation.
- ❖ There is a \$10 wine tasting fee per person; however, the fee is waived if a bottle of wine is purchased. Checks can be made payable to **New Clairvaux Vineyards**, and cash/credit cards are accepted as well.

- ❖ Alcohol is only allowed *inside* of the winery's Tasting Room, unless with a winery tour group.
- ❖ Our website provides additional information: [www.newclairvaux.org](http://www.newclairvaux.org)

Our 580-acre ranch has a rich history that began with Peter Lassen and Leland Stanford and continues today with the monastic community that lives here. We dedicated our new abbey church on July 2, 2018. It contains the finished rebuilding of the 800-year-old Chapter House that William Randolph Hearst purchased and moved from Santa María de Óvila, Spain in the early 1930's to San Francisco. To learn more about our sacred oasis, please visit our websites at [www.newclairvaux.org](http://www.newclairvaux.org) and [www.newclairvauxvineyard.com](http://www.newclairvauxvineyard.com).

If you have any questions, or require additional information, contact Ashley Colomy at [development@newclairvaux.org](mailto:development@newclairvaux.org) or you can call us at 530.839.9936.



#### Mission Statement

Seeking God at this place of New Clairvaux, we are a community of Cistercian monks living the Rule of Saint Benedict. We witness God's love for the world according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ by a life of prayer, labor, and sustainable stewardship of our resources in simplicity and openness to the signs of the times. Our monastery welcomes all people in a spirit of hospitality and engages others in collaborative relationships.

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