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SAN FRANCISCO & NAPA VALLEY

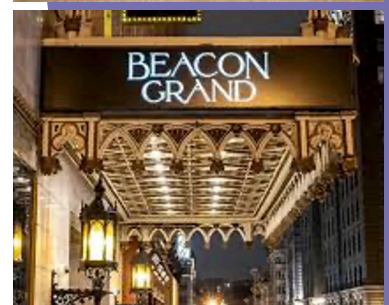
JUNE 16 - JUNE 20, 2026

Experience world-class opera, cuisine and coastal beauty in the City by the Bay!

Austin Opera's exclusive travel program is offered to members of the Premier Giving Programs (annual donations of \$2,500+) and their guests. Participants will experience carefully curated tours that blend exhilarating performances with gourmet dining, local attractions, and the chance to connect with fellow Austin Opera patrons and company leadership.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Four Hotel Nights
- One Complimentary Breakfast
- Two Dinners and one Lunch in San Francisco
- Private Coach Trip to the Napa Valley with Wine Tastings, Lunch and Dinner
- One Night of Hosted Post-show Drinks
- Ticket to *The Barber of Seville Encounter*
- Ticket to *Elektra*



The Beacon Grand Hotel



NOTE

Since our activities in San Francisco are relatively close together, participants will be using Uber for transportation. In addition to helping to keep the trip costs down, it will also give us greater flexibility to navigate the city's short distances.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 16

Check into the **Beacon Grand Hotel**. The Beacon Grand blends historic San Francisco glamour with modern boutique comfort. Set in a beautifully restored 1928 landmark in the heart of **Union Square**, the hotel welcomes guests with elegant architecture, warm social spaces, and stylishly appointed rooms. From craft cocktails in the lively Post Room to panoramic skyline views at the iconic Starlite rooftop bar, every corner offers a touch of classic San Francisco charm. With theaters, shopping, and **Chinatown** just steps away, the Beacon Grand is perfectly positioned for travelers who want to feel both immersed in the city and cared for in every detail.

At **7:00 pm**, we'll begin our journey with a **Welcome Dinner at Perbacco**, one of San Francisco's most beloved Italian restaurants. Located in the historic Hind Building in the Financial District, Perbacco offers an elegant yet inviting atmosphere — the perfect setting to kick off our time together. Known for its refined take on the flavors of northern Italy, the restaurant highlights dishes like delicate house-made pastas, rich slow-braised specialties, and beautifully crafted seasonal plates, all paired with an exceptional wine list. This evening is an opportunity to meet fellow travelers, share excitement for the days ahead, and savor the warmth of Italian hospitality as our adventure officially begins.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

One of the great pleasures of visiting San Francisco is taking a leisurely stroll along the iconic **Fisherman's Wharf**, where sea air, lively piers, and postcard-worthy bay views set the tone for the day. Enjoy the morning at your own pace—wander past the fishing boats, browse local shops, or pause to watch the famous sea lions basking in the sun—then meet your fellow travelers at **noon** for lunch at **La Mar**. Set right on the water's edge, this casually elegant restaurant—celebrated as chef Gastón Acurio's first outpost outside Peru—showcases the bold, colorful flavors of Peruvian coastal cuisine, making it a scenic and memorable lunch spot.



Afterward, feel free to continue your exploration of the Wharf and its surrounding neighborhood. As evening approaches, enjoy an early dinner wherever inspiration strikes—whether that means discovering a tucked-away seafood shack, finding a cozy wine bar, or joining up with fellow travelers for an informal meal. The rest of the day is yours to savor.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

At **7:00 pm**, we'll meet at the **War Memorial Opera House** for a truly one-of-a-kind evening: ***The Barber of Seville Encounter***. Part opera, part celebration, this bold reimaging opens with dazzling selections from Rossini's beloved *Barber of Seville* before the night bursts into a flamenco-infused fiesta that transforms the Opera House into a swirl of color, rhythm, and movement. Music, dance, and immersive staging blend seamlessly to create an experience that feels both timeless and thrillingly new. It's a one-night-only event designed to surprise, delight, and linger in your memory long after the final note fades.



THURSDAY, JUNE 18

At **10:00 am** we'll gather in the hotel lobby and depart by private coach for a full day of indulgence in the breathtaking **Napa Valley**, thoughtfully curated by Wine & Dine Events. Our journey begins with a visit to **B Cellars**, where we will embark on an authentic multi-course food and wine experience, showcasing the region's finest flavors and artisanal pairings. In the afternoon, we'll continue to **Camus Vineyards** for a tasting of their renowned wines, followed by some leisurely free time to enjoy a coffee or explore the charming streets of **Yountville** at your own pace. As the afternoon winds down, we'll make our way to **Pine Ridge Vineyards** for an exclusive dinner experience, featuring a sumptuous three-course meal paired with the estate's signature wines. **Every detail of this unforgettable Napa adventure is outlined in the attached itinerary.**



FRIDAY, JUNE 19

Enjoy San Francisco at your own pace today, with time to explore the city's many sights, neighborhoods, and hidden gems. Wander through Union Square's boutiques and galleries, take a cable car ride over the hills, or stroll Chinatown's vibrant streets just steps from the hotel. If you're craving views, head to the waterfront for a walk along the Embarcadero or make your way to Coit Tower for a panoramic snapshot of the city. Food lovers might explore the Ferry Building's artisan stalls, while culture seekers can drift through the exhibits at San Francisco's Museum of Modern Art or the Asian Art Museum. However you choose to spend the day, the city offers endless corners to discover.



At 5:00 pm we'll come together at the celebrated **Hayes Street Grill**. Located just steps from the city's performing arts district, it's the perfect spot for a relaxed yet elegant dinner before a show. The menu highlights simply prepared fish and seasonal local produce, allowing high-quality ingredients to shine in meals that capture the spirit of California coastal dining.

After dinner, we head to the **War Memorial Opera House** for San Francisco Opera's production of **Elektra** by Richard Strauss. This gripping psychological drama—set to a powerful, electrifying score—follows Elektra, a daughter tormented by her father's murder, as she becomes consumed by the need for revenge. Intense and emotionally charged, *Elektra* explores themes of obsession, justice, and the haunting legacy of family betrayal.



After the performance, Annie Burrridge warmly invites you to join her for a farewell drink at the Starlight Bar in the Beacon Grand Hotel, where we can toast to an unforgettable time together in San Francisco.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

DEPARTURE DAY

Check-out time is **11:00 AM**. As our time together comes to a close, we hope you leave San Francisco with new friends, unforgettable memories, and a renewed sense of adventure. Safe travels, and we look forward to welcoming you again on a future journey.