



## Traveling With Millennials In Wine Country

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If you think vacations will go perfectly when you're traveling with grown kids, think again. As millennials continue to travel with their parents — even before they have kids of their own — it's the older generation that is likely to cause travel hiccups. We must adapt to our grown kids' vacation style (using apps not maps for directions and restaurants, following their lead to new and sometimes taxing adventures, packing so light we forget an essential or two).

These days, growing numbers of millennials are traveling with their parents after college and before they have children. I've met these families everywhere from Antarctica to Colorado ski resorts, cruise ships and European cities. One young woman told me traveling with her mom on her mom's dime was the only way she could afford a vacation. And they are changing the way their parents travel.



We were **in Sonoma County**, after all, which offers 425 wineries in 17 distinctive wine regions, and is a foodie paradise with some 500 restaurants, including the Coast Kitchen at the newly renovated 46-room **Timber Cove Resort**, which sits on a bluff high above the Pacific and where we were happily spending the night. "I don't want to leave," my daughter declared.

We all loved the sleek modern decor with retro touches like record players and classic vinyl albums in every room, the huge stone fireplace downstairs and the outdoor “living room” with foosball and billiards. (Think hippie chic meets rustic modern, complete with wine tasting and restaurant serving up unfussy local fare.) Timber Cove, incidentally, is as equipped for kids as for romance offering kids’ menus, plenty of board games, a bunk room and a treasure hunt on the property designed by the 11-year-old daughter of one of the owners.

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