GMC Classics Club Wine Tour \$

Saturday, June 19th 1:00 – 5:00pm

Notes from Lisa:

A private wine tour would run about \$180 a person. As a more affordable option and to give us the most flexibility, the 290 Wine Shuttle, which departs about 2.2 miles from the Oakwood RV Park, can take us to any winery we choose, hop-on, hop-off style, and give us the most flexibility for the time we have allotted, at a much more reasonable cost.

Shuttles run every 10 minutes from 10:00am – 6:00pm and an all-day pass is \$39.99. Please Note: The shuttle fee does not include tasting fees. Tasting fees average around \$18.00 per location.

GMC members will need to make their own reservations in advance for the shuttle at 290wineshuttle.com

The shuttle pass gives GMC members the flexibility to visit any winery, and as many wineries, as they choose on their own schedule.

If we want to stay together as a group, and I have interest from 8 members or more, I will make group reservations at a couple of wineries on the route for tastings. Sandra Hood mentioned the Wine Garage is an interesting winery that has a classic car museum which can be visited at no charge. Based on what I've read I would suggest:

- 1. Baron's Creek
- 2. Grape Creek
- 3. Wine Garage

How It Works (Information from the 290wineshuttle.com)

Before You Arrive

To ensure a seat on the shuttle, we recommend booking your shuttle passes online before your arrival. Additionally, if your party consists of eight or more, please arrange tasting reservations with the wineries in advance. We suggest booking \$ in route order.

When You Arrive

Our wine tour shuttles leave every 10 minutes from the Inn on Barons Creek (308 S. Washington Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624), giving you plenty of time for your arrival.

When you arrive, you'll receive a wristband and route card. Your route card will provide information about each venue. Additionally, we'll provide you the route order so you can pick which of our 16 wineries you want to visit, or you can visit them all! Our 10-minute service between wineries continues until 6:00 pm, ensuring you will have plenty of time to visit as many locations as you desire.

Hop On - Hop Off

290 Wine Shuttle makes it easy to visit any of our winery partners. Once you're onboard our shuttle, you may hop on or hop off at any of the wineries. Visit, shop, and taste as long as you like at each winery, then simply catch the next available shuttle when you're ready to visit another venue.

As you make purchases throughout the day, we offer every customer the option of leaving their purchases with the shuttle drivers until 3:00 pm – free of charge. Buy as much as you want, and we'll have those items waiting for you when you arrive back in town.

Route (Hyperlinks so you can review the websites)

Our Route: (listed in order of drop off)

- 1. Texas Heritage Vineyard
- 2. Safari Winery
- 3. Longhorn Cellars
- 4. <u>Barons Creek Vineyards</u> *Reservations are required*.
- 5. Sweetbriar Rose
- 6. Mendelbaum Cellars
- 7. Inwood Estates
- 8. *Grape Creek Vineyards Reservations are required.
- 9. <u>Heath Sparkling Wines</u> *Reservations are required*.
- 10. Fat Ass Ranch & Winery
- 11. Wine Garage
- 12. Texas Wine Collective
- 13. Messina Hof Reservations are required.
- 14. Wildseed Farms
- 15. Fiesta Winery
- 16. Six Shooter Cellars

