



The North Dakota Grape Growers' Association will be hosting its 2010 Summer Vineyard Tour on Saturday, September 11. This event is open to the public. Due to logistical reasons related to meals and transportation, however, **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.**

Please send in your registration by September 1, 2010 to:

NDGGA
PO Box 6050 Dept. 7670
Fargo, ND 58108-6050

The cost is \$40 per person for NDGGA members and \$50 per non-member. After September 1, the cost is \$50 and \$60, respectively. Seats on the bus and meals will be "first come, first served" for those who pre-register, but will be on an "as available basis only" for all others.

Schedule (all times are Central Daylight Savings Time):

9:00 AM – Meet in parking lot of the Bismarck Comfort Inn (1030 East Interstate Avenue – it is just off the exit, on the north side of I-94 and on the west side of US Hwy 83/1804)

9:30 – Depart for Chateau Moravia, north of Bismarck. Tour the vineyard

11:30 – Depart

Sack lunch provided aboard the bus

12:15 – Arrive at Roc Amadour Vineyards, north of Mandan. See labor-saving trellis post pounding demonstration

12:45 – Depart for Assumption Abbey, Richardton

There will be discussions on the bus on grape culture and varieties by experienced growers and researchers, plus time for questions and answers.

2:00 – Arrive at the "Cathedral on the Prairie", tour the Abbey and its wine cellar

3:30 – Depart Richardton

4:15 – Arrive at Haymarsh Valley Vineyards, Glen Ullin. Tour the vineyards and the scenic Haymarsh Valley

5:45 – Catered supper provided. Local wine tasting. Feel free to bring a bottle to share.

7:30 – Depart

8:30 – Arrive back in Bismarck

Please note: Due to another event in Bismarck that weekend, rooms will be very difficult to get. We have a small block of rooms, each with a single king sized bed, reserved until September 1 at the Bismarck Comfort Inn (that is all that was available a month ago!). The phone number is 701-223-1911.

Other area hotels include

Best Western # 701-258-7000

Holiday Express # 701-221-0850

Fairfield # 701-223-9077

Select Inn # 701-223-8060

Hampton # 70-751-3100

If you are planning to stay overnight, please make your arrangements ASAP.

If you have any questions, please call NDGGA Pres. Greg Krieger at 701-430-0281 or email at krieger@polarcomm.com