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## Fun Facts About Maui's Winery

### 'ULUPALAKUA, Maui, Hawai'i (2006)—

- ❖ Maui's Winery, also known as Tedeschi Vineyards, is the Valley Isle's **only commercial winery**.
- ❖ Lips That Touch Wine: **Over 180,000 visitors** come to Maui's winery each year, enjoying samples of its award-winning wines in the historic King's Cottage.
- ❖ **Robert Louis Stevenson** was a visitor to the ranch; and World War II hero **General George S. Patton**, who came to the ranch to play polo, was said to have ridden through the ranch house on horseback, presumably as a stunt during a party.
- ❖ Green Thumb Ex-Whaler: **Captain James Makee**, the first to grow grapes in the area, planted some 150,000 trees, including many imported from around the world such as Queensland Kauri, a hard wood used to make masts for ships. Makee also planted roses – his wife's favorite flower.
- ❖ Inaugural Toast: *Maui Brut* was served at the inauguration of **President Ronald Reagan**.
- ❖ **Grapes like stress!** A challenge for growing high quality grapes in a tropical climate is the lack of stress. The 2,000-foot elevation of Tedeschi Vineyards, which provides for cooler temperatures, and the vineyard's rich volcanic soil, however, serve as unique assets.
- ❖ Tiny Bubbles: Maui's Winery sparkling wines are all produced in the century old French process of "**methode champenoise**." This process requires years of aging and labor intensive handling to create effervescence in every bottle.
- ❖ Bottom of the Barrel Bounty: In its ongoing support of nonprofit groups, Maui's Winery donated the by-product (known as the lees) left over from its *Framboise de Maui* Raspberry Wine to the culinary students at Maui Community College. MCC students made the best of the "bottom of the barrel" by developing it into a delightfully flavorful **raspberry jam**.

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- ❖ To Your Health: Studies in recent years have shown that red wine contains **anti-oxidants** that may help improve the health of the heart and arteries.
- ❖ Maui's Winery was featured on national television with renowned "foodie" **Emeril Lagasse** and *Fine Living's* wine "aficionado," **Andrea Immer**.

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