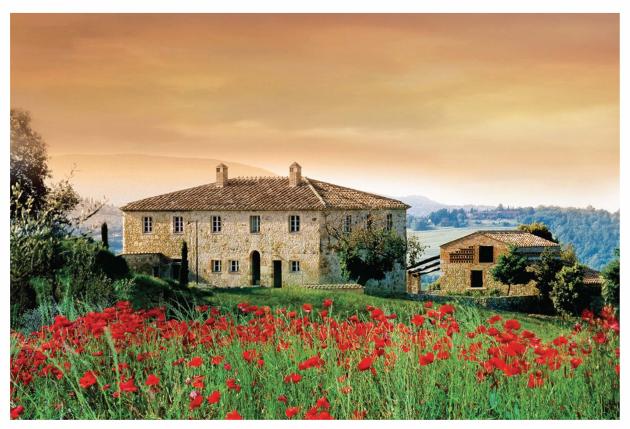


VINEYARDS

Vineyard properties evoke a romantic idyll. From picturesque rural surroundings to the promise of a lifetime supply of wine, oenophile homeowners who love to entertain enjoy the prestige of serving their own homegrown vintage.

by Irene Rawlings



Casali di Casole, a Timbers Resort

Tuscany, Italy

The residences on this ancient, 4,200-acre estate come with over 100 acres of vineyards, olive groves, and fruit orchards. Dating to the 18th century (but meticulously restored for 21st-century living), these homes are in an idyllic, uber-private setting overlooking scenic vineyards with distant views to Casole d'Elsa and Mensano. On the estate: organic cabernet, sangiovese, and merlot vineyards and hundred-year-old olive groves. Inside, think glass-tiled pools, marble baths, a chef's country kitchen, and an outdoor wood-burning forno. Amenities include pre-arrival grocery shopping, daily housekeeping, bilingual concierge services, cooking classes, and wine tastings. Enjoy in-residence spa services and, the ultimate luxury, room service in the privacy of your own rustic-chic farmhouse. Whole and Residence Club (fractional) ownerships are available. Based on availability, owners have access to the facilities at Belmond Castello de Casole, a short walk down a cypress-lined lane. Whole ownership sales from \$3.5 million, fractional sales from \$338,000; casalidicasole.com