

VIRTUOSO

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INSIGHTS

Welcoming Travelers to the World of Virtuoso

Vintage AMERICA

Explore the finest wine regions from New York to Napa Valley

7 Sensational Culinary Retreats

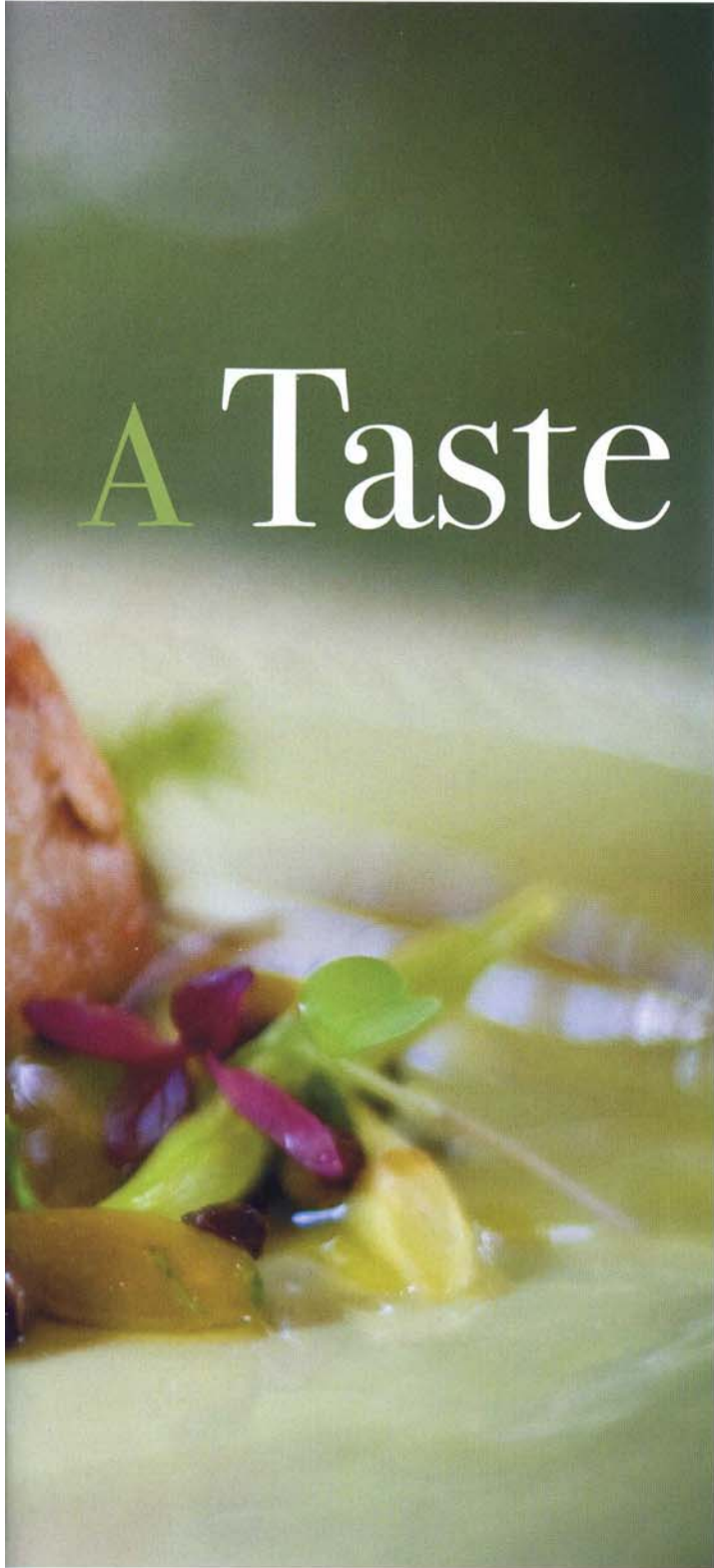
Spice up your travels with
inspiring cooking classes

PLUS

La Dolce Vita Down Under
Grape Escapes in Mendoza, Argentina
Dinner with da Vinci in France's Loire Valley



Perfect pairing: culinary wonders complement southern comforts at North Carolina's Ferrington House Country Inn (opposite).



A Taste for Travel

Want to stir things up on your next vacation? Combine an exciting getaway with an exceptional cooking class or workshop. From central North Carolina to New Zealand's North Island, you'll experience some of the world's most stunning landscapes while exploring your culinary talents.

Serving the Sustainable Table in North Carolina

Recently named a Certified Green Restaurant®, the Ferrington House Restaurant proudly displays a commitment to “Farm-to-Table” cuisine, sourcing with local farmers and using the finest organic produce and meats available in central North Carolina. Throughout the year, **The Ferrington House Country Inn** offers a series of two-day retreats that include hands-on classes with accomplished chefs, who share their knowledge on such topics as creating innovative vegetarian cuisine, shopping a farmers’ market, and making the most of fall harvests. Culinary retreats include overnight accommodations; afternoon English tea; a wine and hors d’oeuvres reception; dinner at The Ferrington House Restaurant; gourmet breakfast; and a full morning of hands-on culinary instruction. *From \$820 per couple (single rates are also available).*



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