



DRAFT: Program for:

Danish Farmers Abroad's studt trip to California 29th. October - 7th. November 2022.

Subtitel: *Explore the agriculture in Californien*

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Time	Saturday October 29:
06:00	Departure Billund Airport --- arrival Amsterdam at 07:10
06:00	Departure Copenhagen - arrival Amsterdam at 07:25
10:40	Departure from Amsterdam (Schiphol Airport towards San Francisco (direkte 10:55 timer)
	TIME DIFFERECE San Francisco: -9 H
12:35	Arrival San Francisco (San Francisco Intl. Airport)
13:00	Picked up in the airport by bus
14:00	Check-in at Best WesternPlus Governor Airport Hotel, 380 S Airport Blvd, South San Francisco, CA 94080 Phone +1 650 873 3200
19:00	Dinner



Time Sunday October 30:

07:30 Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

09:00 **Meeting at the hotel:**

- **Short information about the program**

- **Short presentation of the participants**

10:30 Departure in bus towards Visalia, CA

Visit and lunch at a Eberle Winery on the way to I Visalia

18:00 Arrival and check-in at hotel Visalia Marriot Hotel (5 nights here)

19:30 Dinner at "The Vintage Press"

Time Monday October 31.

07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel

08:00 Departure from the hotel towards Burrel, CA

09:00 Visit **Ingleby`s Pistachio Farm and processing plant in Burrel, CA.**

A 1,825-hectare property with 1,394 hectares of mature pistachios, 176 hectares of dedicated environmental area, 162 hectares of other crops and a 20-hectare processing plant.

All pistachios are grown with cover crops between the trees using regenerative farming practices. Annual production of pistachio nuts from 4,000 MT to 9,000 MT.

18:00 Back to the Hotel in Visalia

19:30 Dinner at "The Vintage Press"

Time Tuesday November 1.:

07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel

08.00 Departure towards Riverdale, CA

09.00 **Visit and meet Pat and Steve Maddox, Ruan and Maddox Dairy**

The herd consists of 6,500. dairy cows on two units. It is about "High-quality" Holstein cattle, where semen and embryos are collected and sold "worldwide"

Lunch on the way

13:00 **Visits at "Raw Dairy"**

This includes a herd of 400 organic dairy cows.

This is a grass based dairy herd with a portable milking barn – the only one in California.

They have built a great customer loyalty in California and Oregon for milk, cream, yogurt, cheese and butter. We will also visit the cheese dairy.

18.00 Back at the hotel

19:00 Dinner in Visalia



Time Wednesday November 2. :

07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel

08:00 Departure from the Hotel

09:00 **The day will include horticulture, innovation and agriculture in general in the state of California**

This will, among other things include visit to a farm with cotton production, cotton picking as well, water monitoring technology and driverless tractor technology.

12.00. **Lunch and networking at Harris Ranch, Coalinga, CA.**

This will be with local farmers of different generations and with different experiences

in terms of crop farming.

After lunch there will be an opportunity for an open discussion with our guests.

On the way back to Visalia – another professional visit.

18:00 Back at the Hotel

19:00 Dinner



Time Thursday November 3.

07:00 breakfast at the hotel

09:00 **Visit to Sequoia National Park and Sequoia Giganteas.**

12:00 Lunch

14:00 On the trip back home from the park, we arrange either a trip to the largest outdoor potted nursery (residential trees and shrubs) in California or one of the local produce packing houses.

18.00. Back at the hotel

19:00 Dinner

Time Friday November 4. :

07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel and check-out

08:30 **On the way back to San Francisco, two stops are planned**

1. A tour of one of the largest fruit and nut tree nurseries in California, specializing in tissue culture propagation.
2. Visit the innovative Salinas Valley machine facilities that use robotics for vegetable field operations

18:00 Arrival and check-in at the hotel in San Francisco

19:00 Dinner in San Francisco

Time Saturday November 5.

- 07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel
- 09:00 The whole day is left for sightseeing and “free play” in San Francisco
- 19:00 Dinner

Time Sunday November 6. :

- 07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel and check-out
- 12:00 Leave in bus towards the airport
- 15:15 Departure with Air France towards Paris

Time difference: +9 H

- 11:15 Arrival in Paris (Charles De Gaulle lufthavn)
- 12:20 Departure towards Copenhagen – arrival 14:15
- 12:55 Departure towards Billund – arrival 14:40

The trip is planned in very good cooperation with the employees at Ingleby Farms, US.



