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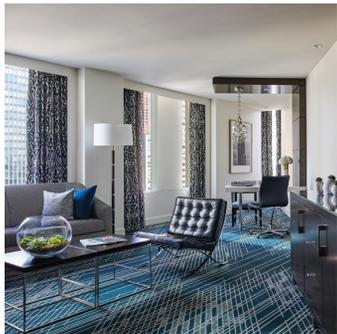
SEA TO SKY

NEWPORT BEACH

They say mastery comes once the threshold of 10,000 hours has been passed. Well **IEX Helicopters** has 35 years in the business of top-tier service, customizable charters, ariel tours, and more. It's easy to say they are true savants of the air. IEX has recently introduced **Heli-Yacht packages** that include a customizable flight from any airport in Southern California to locations like San Diego, Catalina Island, Malibu, and more, where a 150-foot yacht waits on your arrival. The yacht includes three decks, six full bedrooms, and a full crew with a private chef. Enjoy this ultimate package for a day or up to two weeks.

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SIP SIP, HOORAY

Just like that, fall is upon us, and scents of the holiday season fill the air. Now is the time to pull out the full-bodied whites and light- to medium-bodied reds as the perfect complement to cooler weather and fall harvest foods. These select wines are my top picks to help curate the perfect feast!



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Cayuse 2016 Cailloux Vinyard, Walla Walla Valley, Oregon, \$75

OAKED CHARDONNAY

Groth Vineyards, Napa Valley, CA, \$30

SOFT RED BLEND

GSM-d'Arenberg The Ironstone Pressings, Australia, \$58

PINOT NOIR

Walt Wines (Hall Wines) Sonoma, Ca, \$75

CABERNET FRANC

Gunpowder Creek Caleb Foster The Greatest Hits Phinny Hill Vineyard, Columbia Valley, Washington, \$55

BY BART ZANDBERGEN

A FRENCH TOUCH IN THE WINDY CITY

CHICAGO

When you think of Chicago, you might be inclined to think of the Windy City, the Chicago Cubs, and its great neighborhoods. Who would have thought that French influence would have anything to do with what we perceive this great city to be?

The **Sofitel Chicago**, located on the Magnificent Mile, is such a location. Dedicated to all things French, from the architecture to its superior service, it is a cultured oasis in the middle of orchestrated chaos. Explore some of Chicago's landmarks such as Lou Malnati's pizza joint, to a walk alongside the river, to cocktails at the top of the John Hancock tower, where the 360-degree night views are something to experience. Throw in a visit to Chicago's renowned Museum of Fine Arts, where you should really view the showcase of Sam Smith, a local Chicago artist, to a great variety of Jackson Pollock, Picasso, and other masters—truly a visit to remember.

We recommend the privately catered dinner in the Presidential Suite with the most spectacular views of the city. You need to try the bathroom, which we would venture is the most iconic view of the city, while relaxing in a beautifully designed bathtub. The city sights almost overshadowed the meal we enjoyed... but not quite. As part of the Presidential Suite package, take a cruise on a private vintage yacht on the lake, while waiting for the weekly fireworks with a very unique vantage point. It is the perfect long weekend getaway, where you can enjoy true French sophistication with a bit of an American touch.

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