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# GETTING NOTICED BY MEDIA

How collaboration, Experiences, and sustainability Are driving earned media Success



# IN THIS SESSION

WE WILL EXPLORE EXAMPLES OF EARNED MEDIA AND DISCUSS HOW THE CONFLUENCE OF BUSINESS COLLABORATION, UNIQUE SONOMA COUNTY EXPERIENCES, AND SUSTAINABILITY CAN DRIVE EARNED MEDIA SUCCESS FOR YOUR BRAND.



# OUR PANELISTS





AMBER GIBSON Freelance journalist

#### TRAVEL+ LEISURE

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Hemispheres







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### **LISA MATTSON** BRANDING, HOSPITALITY STRATEGY AND MARKETING CONSULTANT





E&J. Gallo Winery









### THE POWER OF COLLABORATION

Collaboration in the context of media success refers to the cooperative efforts and partnerships between organizations, brands, or entities to achieve common goals and enhance their overall impact and reach.



THE POWER OF COLLABORATION

# DAWN RANCH

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### THE POWER OF COLLABORATION

#### COVERAGE INCLUDED

### TRAVEL+ LEISURE

16 MILLION UVPM





25 MILLION UVPM

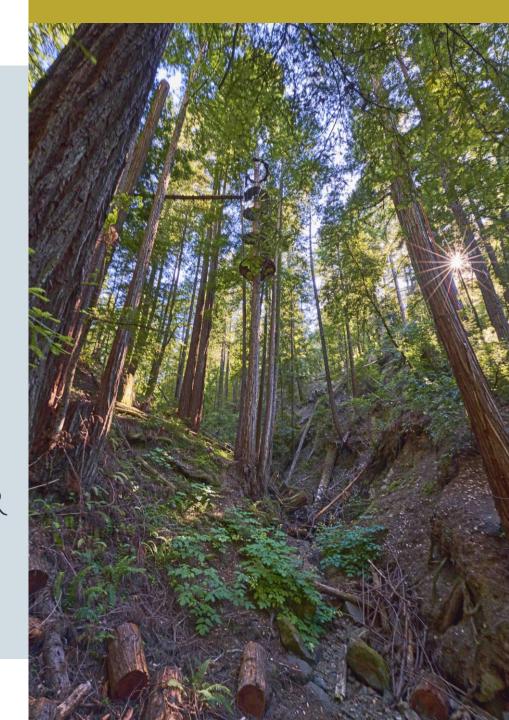


145 MILLION UVPM



### THE POWER OF COLLABORATION

Collaboration in Media success is driven by the recognition that pooling resources, expertise, and audiences can lead to greater exposure, revenue, and impact.





# PANELIST INSIGHTS

### Strategies for Earned Media Success



THE POWER OF COLLABORATION

# TODAY

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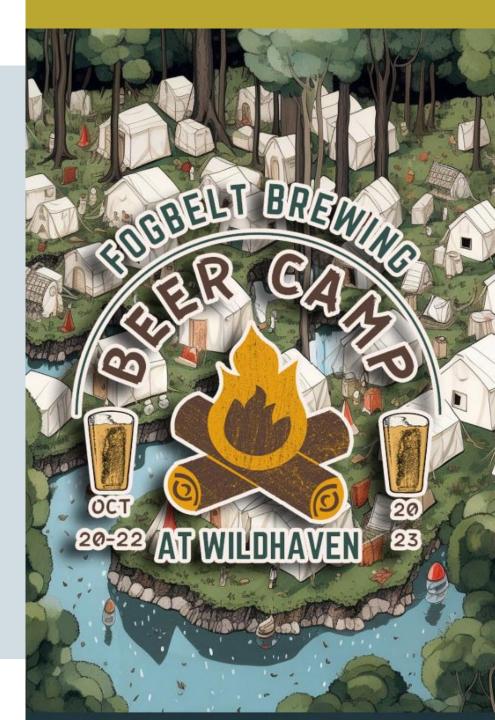
### TODAY SHOW COVERAGE

BROADCAST (2 MILLION+ VIEWERS PER SEGMENT) 3RD HOUR TODAY OPENING SEGMENT 3RD HOUR TODAY BUDDY UP SEGMENT 3RD HOUR JILL MARTIN SEGMENT 3RD HOUR SONOMA COUNTY CHEF'S SEGMENT 3RD HOUR END THANK YOU'S 3RD HOUR POST TRIP OPENING ASSOCIATED BROADCASTS ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT SEGMENT (3.1 MILLION VIEWERS) KRCA SACRAMENTO (43K VIEWERS)\_ KNBC (TODAY IN LA) (27K VIEWERS) KNTV BAY AREA (10K VIEWERS)

#### DIGITAL

Shop Sonoma County with Jill Martin: Finds from Local Businesses and Familiar Faves (5.85M UVPM) Shop These Local Food and Fashion Finds in Sonoma County (21.5M UVPM) A Taste of Sonoma County (21.5M UVPM) AL Roker Share His Adjusted Wellness Routine (177.9M UVPM)





### THE POWER OF COLLABORATION



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### CREATING MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES



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WINES





# PANELIST INSIGHTS

### BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH MEDIA



### SUSTAINABILITY AS A MEDIA MAGNET

- 57% OF TRAVELERS WOULD FEEL BETTER STAYING IN A PARTICULAR ACCOMMODATION IF THEY KNEW IT HAD A SUSTAINABLE CERTIFICATION (SOURCE: GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE TOURISM COUNCIL)
- DESTINATION STEWARDSHIP AND SUSTAINABILITY ARE MEDIA-WORTHY TOPICS BECAUSE THEY ADDRESS PRESSING GLOBAL ISSUES, HAVE FAR-REACHING ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS, AND DATA CONFIRMS THEY INFLUENCES CONSUMER BEHAVIOR,

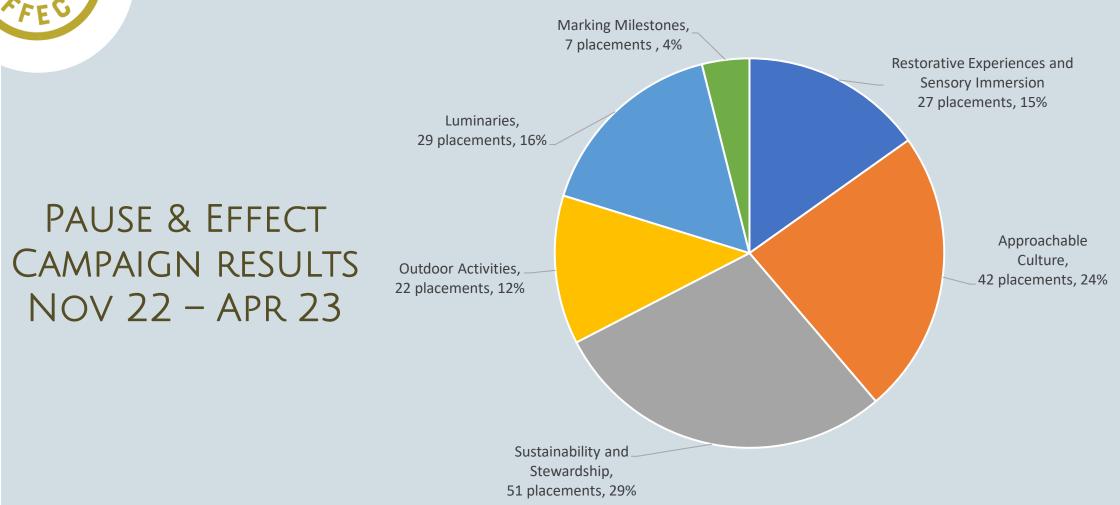


### SUSTAINABILITY AS A MEDIA MAGNET

"The backbone of tourism around the world, destination marketing organizations (DMOS) are increasingly focused on not only attracting visitors but also encouraging all stakeholders to partake in activities that nurture the wellbeing of communities and the environment. Sonoma County is one such example."

- MIA TAYLOR, MSN AND TRAVEL PULSE

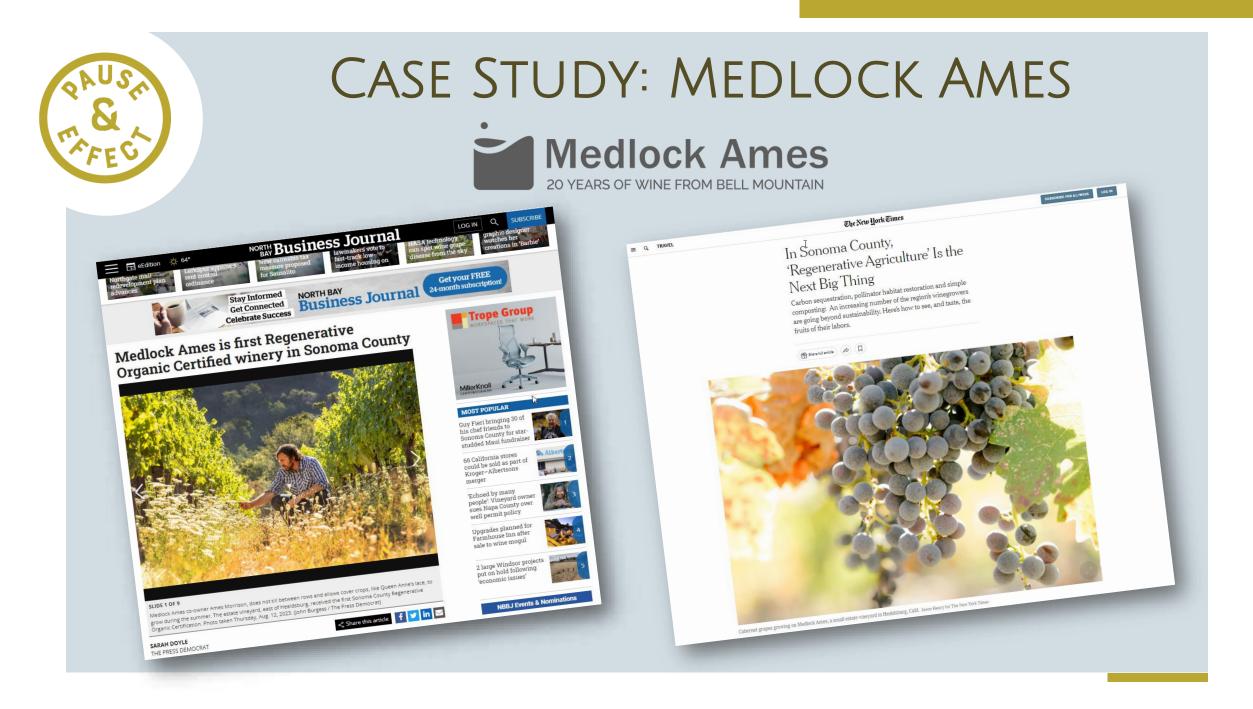
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# CASE STUDY: MEDLOCK AMES

- November 2022: Medlock Ames became one of only a handful of wineries in the world to receive regenerative organic certification.
- Started by the founders of Patagonia, this certification recognizes efforts to go far beyond being merely organic incorporating the concepts of soil health and worker fairness.
- REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFICATION ALLOWS MEDLOCK AMES TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY ARE GOOD STEWARDS OF THE LAND AND THEIR PEOPLE, AND IN THE PROCESS HELPS THEM COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE BY TAKING CARBON DIOXIDE OUT OF THE ATMOSPHERE AND PUTTING IT IN THE SOIL IN THE FORM OF ORGANIC MATTER
- BENEFITS INCLUDE IMPROVING WATER QUALITY, DECREASING THE NEED TO IRRIGATE, REDUCING INCIDENCE OF DISEASE AND PESTS, AND EVEN MAKING BETTER WINES.





# Q AND A



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## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

• Business Milestones, Special OFFERS, PROMOTIONS, NOTEWORTHY NEWS, BUZZWORTHY EVENTS, EXPERIENCES, COLLABORATIONS





### MEDIA HANDBOOK

• Shared with incoming journalists

- FEATURES PARTNER DEALS AND INCENTIVES EXCLUSIVELY FOR VISITING JOURNALISTS
- CHANCES TO BE INCLUDED IN MEDIA COVERAGE ARE HIGHER WHEN PARTNERS OFFER TO HOST JOURNALISTS

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### PUBLIC RELATIONS COVERAGE REPORT

- HIGHLIGHTS SCT'S EARNED PUBLIC RELATIONS EFFORTS.
- FEATURES PARTNER MEDIA COVERAGE (NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL).
- E-MAIL NEWSLETTER SENT TO PARTNERS EVERY 2 WEEKS (Varies based on the amount of coverage earned during that period).



IN THE NEWS

#### Dear Partners,

We are pleased to share this PR Coverage Report. This report highlights our public relations efforts and spotlights various earned media coverages that have been published globally during the past 2 weeks.

While you would never know it by looking at a thermometer, the summer season officially ends in less than 3 weeks. The harvest season has begun in parts of Sonoma County and the good news is media interest in our beautiful destination is increasing at an exceptionally beautiful time of year.

The best way to highlight your business is to send news and information to publicrelations@sonomacounty.com for inclusion in our pitches, <u>media</u> <u>handbook</u>, and <u>press announcements</u>.

Are you planning to attend Sonoma County Tourism's **Annual Meeting on Tuesday, September 12** at 1:00 pm at Sonoma State University? If not, you should! <u>You can register here</u>. We hope you'll join us for an afternoon of information intended to elevate your brand and drive business.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or how we can be of service.

Enjoy the coverage below.

Biaai. Chris. and A.J.



#### PARTNER COMMUNICATION TOOLKIT

### PAUSE & EFFECT – KEY PR MESSAGES MAY 1 – OCTOBER 31, 2023





# THANK YOU

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