

Oh, What a Beautiful Day!

Thanks to Laura and Henry Netzinger, a whole bunch of us Miata lovers had a wonderful day in the countryside from the Sauk City area to Spring Green. Beginning with sun-soaked highways to shadow dappled byways, we zoomed and skittered from one lovely winery to another with perfect temperatures, the wind blowing on our upturned faces, car tops down, of course.

After a delicious breakfast in Prairie de Sauk, we lined up for a trip along roads with so many wild flowers skirting our way and birdsong loud enough to make up for the occasional cow scents that are so very "country." Passing along bluffs for mile stretches, enjoying the valleys below, everyone had (as Winnie the Pooh would say,) "a most bluffery day!"

Wild Hills Winery, our first stop, proved to be fruitful, indeed, with so many delicious varieties that it was difficult to stop filling the cart. The overview from the top of their land was breathtaking with the Wisconsin River in the distance and lush greenery on all the hills. The owners were most welcoming making this stop worth doing again.

After more twists and turns, and no rattlesnakes, thank you, we arrived at Spurgeon Winery for an excellent box lunch supplied by Laura Netzinger, along with cooler bags to keep everything fresh and tasty. The winery provided ample tables and seating for us all, so we could enjoy a restful stop.

Finally, at the last winery, we encountered quite a few people enjoying the Botham Vineyards. The property, quite beautiful, had a large welcoming patio. Although, each winery had tasting, I didn't partake at this one because there were so many people there, and I was contented enough to idle under their beautiful shade trees. To end the day, we ate at Arthur's in Spring Green. The service, drinks and food, especially the prime rib, were top notch. So much friendliness and attention to detail, they couldn't have done more to keep us happy. Likewise for Laura and Henry who worked tirelessly to plan and provide a safe, fun and entertaining day amidst a "virus" atmosphere. Their efforts were so very appreciated by all of us who had been cooped up for so long. All that made this special day, truly beautiful! Thank you, Netzingers, for everything!

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