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## **Almond Festival a Capay Valley ‘culinary tour’**

**BROOKS, Calif.** – One memorable sign of spring’s arrival is the brilliant, colorful display of almond blossoms which dot the landscape across the Capay Valley each year, lining the highways and country roads that wind through the region’s fertile green hills. The Capay Valley Almond Festival has celebrated this special time of year by entertaining visitors to the Valley for over 90 years.

This year the festival takes place on Sunday, March 14. The Capay Valley towns of Esparto, Capay, Brooks, Guinda, Madison and Rumsey all take part in the celebration, which is once again being sponsored in part by Cache Creek Casino Resort and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation.

Napa Valley may have their wine tours, but festival organizers encourage lovers of good food to take a culinary tour of the Capay Valley by visiting all of the participating locations and sampling a unique food or wine at each stop along the way. Tour takers can make their way down Highway 16 along the tour route and enjoy favorites like barbequed ribs, steak, tri-tip sandwiches, barbequed oysters, local organic produce and baked goods like the valley’s famous Almond Roca, or participate in wine tasting and tours at Capay Valley Vineyards. The Esparto Regional Chamber is also providing visitors with an Almond Blossom Trail Map for those who want to take a scenic tour of the valley and view all the varieties of colorful blossoms (available at [www.blossomtrail.org](http://www.blossomtrail.org)).

Once culinary tourists have filled their stomachs they can enjoy free activities for the kids, a classic car show, and plenty of vendor booths filled with locally crafted items and fresh valley-grown produce. The day long festival kicks off on Sunday morning with a community pancake breakfast at Esparto High School. Later, there’s a parade reigned over by the newly crowned Almond Queen. Other attractions include a petting zoo in Guinda and interesting sights such as the old engine demonstration. Rock, R&B, Blues, Country or Jazz music greets guests in several of the locations.

*For more information on any of the Almond Festival events surf to the Esparto Regional Chamber website at: [www.espartoregionalchamber.com](http://www.espartoregionalchamber.com) or call: (530) 787-3242.*

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