

WISTARIA FESTIVAL

Art, Craft & Garden Faire, Fun Food

A tour of the world's largest blooming plant, the famed Sierra Madre Wistaria Vine, has been scheduled for Sunday, March 12, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the annual Wistaria Festival. Visitors are invited to stroll beneath the branches of the 112 year-old vine, estimated to weigh at least 250 tons and displaying more than a million delicately scented lavender blossoms on an arbor over a private residence.

During the Festival, the downtown area will be turned into an Art and Garden Faire, with more than 200 artisans displaying original works--clothing, jewelry, paintings, wood objects, fiber arts, garden art and other gift items, just in time to fill Easter baskets, will be available. In addition, there will be attractions for children, street musicians, a student art sale at Creative Arts Group gallery and special food items offered by local restaurants, nonprofit organizations, and food vendors.

All visitors to the Vine must have tickets by advance reservation. Shuttle Tickets are available at \$7 per person; however, children under five are free. All proceeds are a donation to the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets are issued for specific times in an effort to avoid long lines. To order vineviewing tickets, write to "Wistaria Tickets," Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce, 78 W. Sierra



Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. State the number of tickets and the preferred hour between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. (e.g., 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.). Enclose a check payable to the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce and be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope

with adequate postage and a daytime phone number or an email address. Tickets will also be available online at www.sierramadrechamber.com.

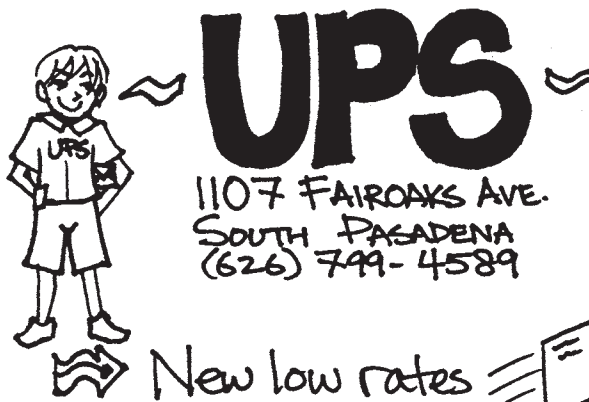
Because parking near the Vine is limited, round-trip shuttle bus rides are provided.

The private residential Wistaria Vine gardens are sloping and are reached by stairs without railings. Access to the garden is incompatible for persons with limited mobility. No wheelchairs, walkers, or strollers are allowed on the grounds.


To reach Sierra Madre, take the Foothill (210) freeway east to Baldwin Avenue and go north approximately one mile to Sierra Madre Blvd. You will be directed to parking areas. For further information, call (626) 306-1150 or contact www.sierramadrechamber.com. 🌳


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