

California's Central Valley Fresno Blossom Trail... February - March 2001



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California's Central Valley is the heart of America's leading dairy region. North of Fresno in Hilmar, California, the Hilmar Cheese Company invites visitors to explore the world's largest cheese plant. Visitor's can watch the cheese making process, picnic in the park and enjoy the extensive deli and bakery. A large gift shop and visitor center is open during business hours and features a selection of quality children's toys, specialty books for young and old, unique home accessories, gourmet foods and, of course, lots of cheese!

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