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If you're the type who needs to be the first to try hot new restaurants, or stay on top of the next obscure-yet-must-have cocktail ingredient (see page 14!), then the Garagiste Festival in Paso Robles, California, is for you. You can talk grapes with more than 70 up-and-coming winemakers from around the state, tasting the next wave of small-batch wines before they go the way of Saxum Vineyards. (Once upon a time, Saxum's Justin Smith was but a Paso garagiste – now mere mortals can't get even a glimpse of his bottles.) Tickets from \$25; Nov 6-9; californiagaragistes.com