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PERFECTLY PLUSH
Deep plums, opulent
golds and luxe fabrics
give the JCB Tasting
Lounge a rich feel.

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Of all the decisions required in wedding-day planning, there is one that should stand out as being quite pleasant: choosing the wine. Helping to make that experience one to savor is the newly opened **JCB Tasting Lounge** at The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco. "The JCB Tasting Lounge unites the world of wine and fashion in a luxurious tasting experience that illuminates and then transcends terroir, reaching beyond the traditional confines of wine to embody style and sophistication," says proprietor and winemaker Jean-Charles Boisset. Available at the sumptuous salon are flights of exclusive wines from the Napa Valley, Russian River and Burgundy (\$50 to \$100), along with decadent bites like white sturgeon caviar with lobster essence and white chocolate bonbons from chef Michael Rotondo (\$21 to \$115). The salon's boutique showcases gifts from Baccarat, Bernardaud and Goyard (\$75 to \$1,500) along with JCB custom-designed jewelry, wine accessories and perfumes. If all that isn't enough to wow the wedding party, the lounge offers a luxurious private event space (seats up to 14) and a concierge service with excursions that start at Boisset's new epicurean paradise in Yountville and end at Raymond Vineyards in Rutherford. Thrill-seekers can enjoy a view like no other with a helicopter tour of the valley followed by a private tour and tasting at DeLoach Vineyard and Buena Vista Winery in Sonoma (from \$200 per person). We can drink to that! 600 Stockton St., San Francisco, 415.296.2329, ritzcarlton.com —Christina Julian