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LAKE SONOMA WINERY

Taste Sonoma

Lake Sonoma Winery is the shimmering reflection of the famed winemaking county it's named after. We are champions of expressive wines that showcase diversity in terroir throughout Sonoma County, balancing excellence with accessibility and sustainability. Our collection includes varieties from Russian River Valley to Alexander Valley to Sonoma Coast for guests to taste in a quaint atmosphere in Sonoma Plaza.



LAKE SONOMA WINERY

Fast facts

- Original winery was established in 1977 at the base of Lake Sonoma, our namesake. Although we no longer have the winery, we continue to focus on the many merits of the surrounding Sonoma County landscape in every bottle.
- We partner with family growers to create single-vineyard expressions of Sonoma County's diverse terroir and varieties.
- The current portfolio includes Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Zinfandel, Sangiovese, Barbera, Rosé and the Boor's Blood red blend.
- Family-owned by the Stewart family, a third-generation pioneering Canadian wine family who first planted vines at their Okanagan Valley estate in 1961.



FAMILY OWNED



Andrea, Ben, Cynthia and Tony Stewart

The Stewart Family

Pioneers of Canada's early wine industry, the Stewarts arrived from Ireland in the early 1900s and quickly carved a niche as specialized rootstock horticulturists.

This swiftly established their place as premium Okanagan Valley grapegrowers, now three generations at play. The Stewart family built Quails' Gate Winery on a prized piece of viticultural land and have earned international recognition as a premium producer of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

Lake Sonoma Winery is now an extension of this storied legacy, as the Stewart Family saw the uniqueness of the winery and acquired the business in 2013.



WINEMAKING & VITICULTURE

At Lake Sonoma, we believe that the finest wines express their origins with balance, clarity and brilliance. Our winemaker, JJ Dowell, is passionate about the possibilities inherent in Sonoma County's diverse soils and climates. There is a fragile balance of the elements—the wondrous factors—that goes into our wines. Each vineyard features its own set of soils and exposures that enables JJ to blend wines whose distinct terroir can be revealed.

The vineyards we source from throughout Sonoma County are family-owned properties. We cherish the partnership created with growers; they are our team members. They are farmers who know their land and know how the vines respond to their techniques, and we honor that. Terroir isn't just about the elements, it includes the people, and the people who work the land are part of the story.

Our focus is on creating high-quality wines that taste like the place they come from.



OUR WINEMAKER

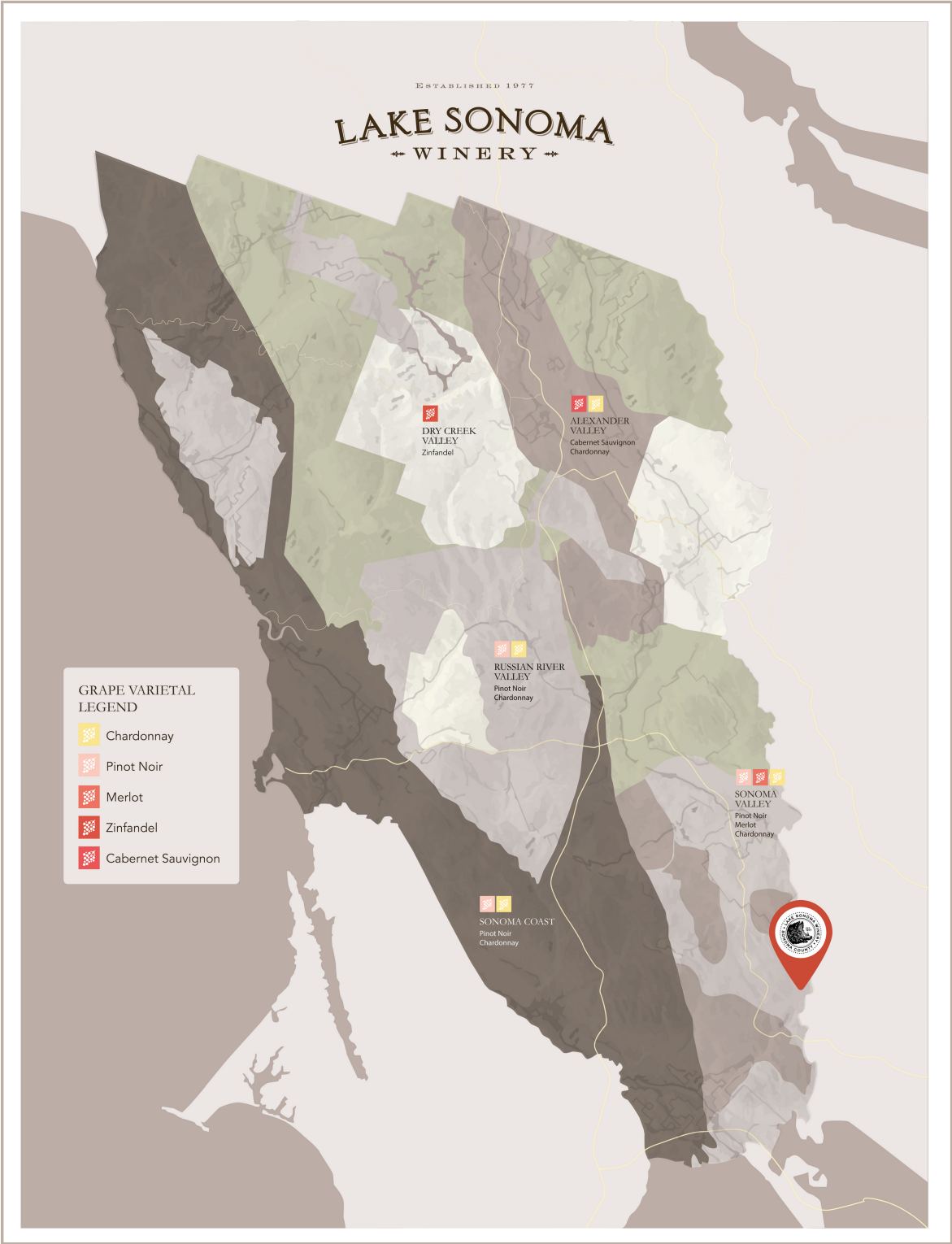


Jamie (JJ) Dowell, Winemaker

Originally from San Diego and born a fifth-generation Californian, JJ earned a Bachelor of Science degree in viticulture and enology from the University of California, Davis, before undertaking several internships in Napa Valley. JJ worked as the winemaker for Crooked Vine & Stony Ridge Winery in the Livermore Valley, and then managed production of high-end Pinot Noir at Villa Maria Estate in New Zealand, before she returned to California as the assistant winemaker at Bonny Doon Vineyard in Santa Cruz. After relocating to Napa Valley, she became the associate winemaker at Alpha Omega Winery and JH Collection, followed by assuming the role of head winemaker at Round Pond Estate, all in Rutherford. JJ now leads winemaking for a portfolio of luxury wine brands including Lake Sonoma Winery, Valley of the Moon, and Plume.



SENSE OF PLACE



LAKE SONOMA WINERY PORTFOLIO



CHARDONNAY RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY



AVA Highlights

Russian River Valley is one of the world's most celebrated growing regions for Chardonnay. The AVA has a characteristically cool climate, heavily affected by fog generated by the valley's proximity to the Pacific Ocean.

Winemaker Notes

This classic Chardonnay expresses the best of the Russian River Valley appellation through vibrant citrus and tropical fruit aromas with hints of vanilla. Bright fruit flavors including ripe apricot, white peach, vanilla and freshly baked bread. A long, creamy finish.



ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON



AVA Highlights

Alexander Valley's dominant alluvial soil is perfect for producing an elegant Cabernet Sauvignon with depth of flavor and soft tannins. Considered one of the warmest areas in Northern California, this AVA also experiences a wide diurnal temperature shift in the evening that offers cool-climate conditions.

Winemaker Notes

Expressing true Alexander Valley characters, our fruit-forward Cabernet Sauvignon opens with aromas of black cherry, blackberry and dark chocolate. Big and bold, the balanced palate exhibits flavors of juicy plum and blackberry, chewy tannins and a sweet mocha finish.



PINOT NOIR SONOMA COAST



AVA Highlights

Home to many of Sonoma County's celebrated cool-climate wines, the Sonoma Coast spans 2,000 acres and boasts ideal growing conditions for Pinot Noir.

Winemaker Notes

A classic expression of Pinot Noir with aromas of bramble, plum, baking spices and cedar. On the palate, cherry cola with a touch of toasted oak and brown sugar lead to a silky sweet cocoa finish.



ZINFANDEL SONOMA VALLEY



AVA Highlights

Known for its unique terroir, the Sonoma Valley AVA centers on the Sonoma Valley in the southern portion of the county. The appellation is bordered by two mountain ranges: the Mayacamas Mountains to the east and the Sonoma Mountains to the west.

Winemaker Notes

Our Sonoma Valley Zinfandel opens with aromas of berry syrup, red raspberry preserve and cardamom. On the palate, flavors of clove and vanilla are complemented by hints of huckleberry, and white mocha.



BARBERA SONOMA VALLEY



AVA Highlights

Known for its unique terroir, the Sonoma Valley AVA centers on the Sonoma Valley in the southern portion of the county. The appellation is bordered by two mountain ranges: the Mayacamas Mountains to the east and the Sonoma Mountains to the west.

Winemaker Notes

Aromas of fresh blackberry, vanilla bean, sage and lavender. On the palate, fresh black cherry, red plum, tarragon and yogurt.



SANGIOVESE SONOMA VALLEY



AVA Highlights

Known for its unique terroir, the Sonoma Valley AVA centers on the Sonoma Valley in the southern portion of the county. The appellation is bordered by two mountain ranges: the Mayacamas Mountains to the east and the Sonoma Mountains to the west.

Winemaker Notes

Our Sangiovese displays aromas of red cherry, strawberry preserve, and sage. On the palate, flavors of red raspberry, cassis, and violet complemented by fine chalky tannins leading to a spicy finish.



BOAR'S BLOOD, RED BLEND SONOMA COUNTY



Highlights

Our Boar's Blood Red Blend highlights the region's unique characteristics and terroir. This blend is a bottled version of our philosophy, one that honors the growers and the storied sites they look after.

Winemaker Notes

Decadent aromas of lilac, rose, grape candy, and cedar chest. A bright and textured palate presents medium tannins and even acidity with flavors of red currant, lavender, and earthy minerality.



CABERNET SAUVIGNON SONOMA COUNTY



AVA Highlights

This Cabernet Sauvignon expresses the diversity of Sonoma County's AVAs by bringing together the bright red fruit of Dry Creek Valley, the earthy structure of Alexander Valley and the sweet tobacco spiciness of Sonoma County.

Winemaker Notes

This wine opens with aromas of black fruit, vanilla bean, and sage. On the palate, flavors of black cherry, cedar, and peppercorn complement a smooth entrance with approachable tannins and a lasting finish.



LAZY DOG VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON



AVA Highlights

A cooler site in Sonoma Valley, Lazy Dog Vineyard is a small family-owned vineyard with five acres of Cabernet Sauvignon clone 337.

Winemaker Notes

A clean, bright and fresh expression of Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine opens with aromas of sour cherry, red licorice and vanilla bean with a hint of minerality, and saffron. On the palate flavors of rhubarb, red currant, and milk chocolate.



LAZY DOG VINEYARD MALBEC



AVA Highlights

A cooler site in Sonoma Valley, Lazy Dog Vineyard is a small family-owned vineyard with 2.5 acres of premium Malbec grapes.

Winemaker Notes

Aromas of fresh blueberry, hazelnut, and dried herb on the nose. On the palate, flavors of cassis, black licorice, dark chocolate, and espresso.



SONOMA VALLEY ROSÉ



AVA Highlights

Known for its unique terroir, the Sonoma Valley AVA centers on the Sonoma Valley in the southern portion of the county. The appellation is bordered by two mountain ranges: the Mayacamas Mountains to the east and the Sonoma Mountains to the west.

Winemaker Notes

Fresh, fruity and refreshing our Rosé displays aromas of ripe strawberry, cranberry, and white peach leading to flavors of red cherry, and candied raspberry.



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LAZY DOG VINEYARD
MALBEC



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93 POINTS

"Elegant appointments with teeth-coating tannins. Bright and well structured. Fruit is vibrant: blackberry with a hint of Worcestershire. Deep, tarry, and rich, it resonates with grace as well as with meaty power."
- Meredith May, Editor-in-Chief

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RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
CHARDONNAY

Aromas of ripe white peach and apricot, narcissus flower and toasted brioche bread. On the palate enjoy flavors of peach candy, toasted coconut, Meyer lemon and tangerine skin with a creamy butterscotch finish.



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"This domestic Barbera (with 1% Sangiovese) is proof that this variety, when carefully tended, can emulate a desired style that is a praiseworthy counterpart to its old-world beginnings."
- Meredith May, Editor-in-Chief

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CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Aromas of black cherry, lilac and milk chocolate. The palate offers candied raspberry, confectioner's sugar and approachable tannins with a persistent acidity for a lengthy finish.



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