

MACLAREN

WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY



MacLaren is my clan name. In Scotland your clan defines the tartan of your kilt and ties you to a region and community, to a group of people with a common thread. Through MacLaren wines I seek to share my obsession for cool-climate Syrah and bring together wine lovers with a shared interest in exploring and enjoying the path less traveled.



Steve Law
Winemaker

Steve Law arrived in France, from his native Scotland, to work in the hi-tech world and was immediately immersed in French culture. Over ten years he and his friends would regularly jump in someone's car on weekends and holidays and go exploring the country's wine regions. He discovered his palate and passion for wine, notably the Sauvignon Blanc from Loire Valley, Pinot Noir from Burgundy, Rosé from Provence, and Viognier from Condrieu.

But it was in Northern Rhone that he discovered Syrah... and his world changed.

His hi-tech career brought him to the sunny shores of northern California. It was a dinner in Los Gatos where he met up with a couple of French winemaker friends and they pushed him to do something about the passion he so clearly had for wine. He again ventured out to explore the local wine regions and met winemaker Michael Talty, who encouraged him that the best way to learn was to just do it. A totally innocuous statement, but one Steve took as an offer, and in 2006 Steve worked his first harvest in Sonoma County. In 2007, he asked Michael if he could make a wee bit of Syrah at his winery and he agreed to it as a trade for helping him with Talty wines. The rest, as they say, is history. In 2007 Steve moved with his wife Heather to Sonoma and produced his first vintage of Syrah under the MacLaren label.

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FROM VINEYARD TO TABLE



Winemaker Steve Law is inspired by his time in France and love of French wines. He pursues vineyards in the cooler, fog-blanketed regions of Russian River Valley and Bennett Valley to tease out gentle nuances and layers of complexity, with the goal being to showcase elegant, approachable wines reminiscent of his favorite appellations.

MacLaren wines are meant for the table, to be enjoyed by family and friends. They tend to be lower in alcohol and balanced in acid and tannin structure, while presenting rich fruit-forward characteristics that make them approachable and complement food.



AN OBSESSION FOR SYRAH

While in France, I lived in the Northern Rhone for five years and discovered Syrah through my winemaker friends, Yves Cuilleron and Francois Villard. It was love at first sip.

I find Syrah the most intriguing varietal. Like people, it is a product of its environment and can be everything from floral and feminine to meaty and masculine. It can be crafted in a variety of wine styles and pairs beautifully with a variety of culinary dishes. Syrah is truly a foodie's wine.

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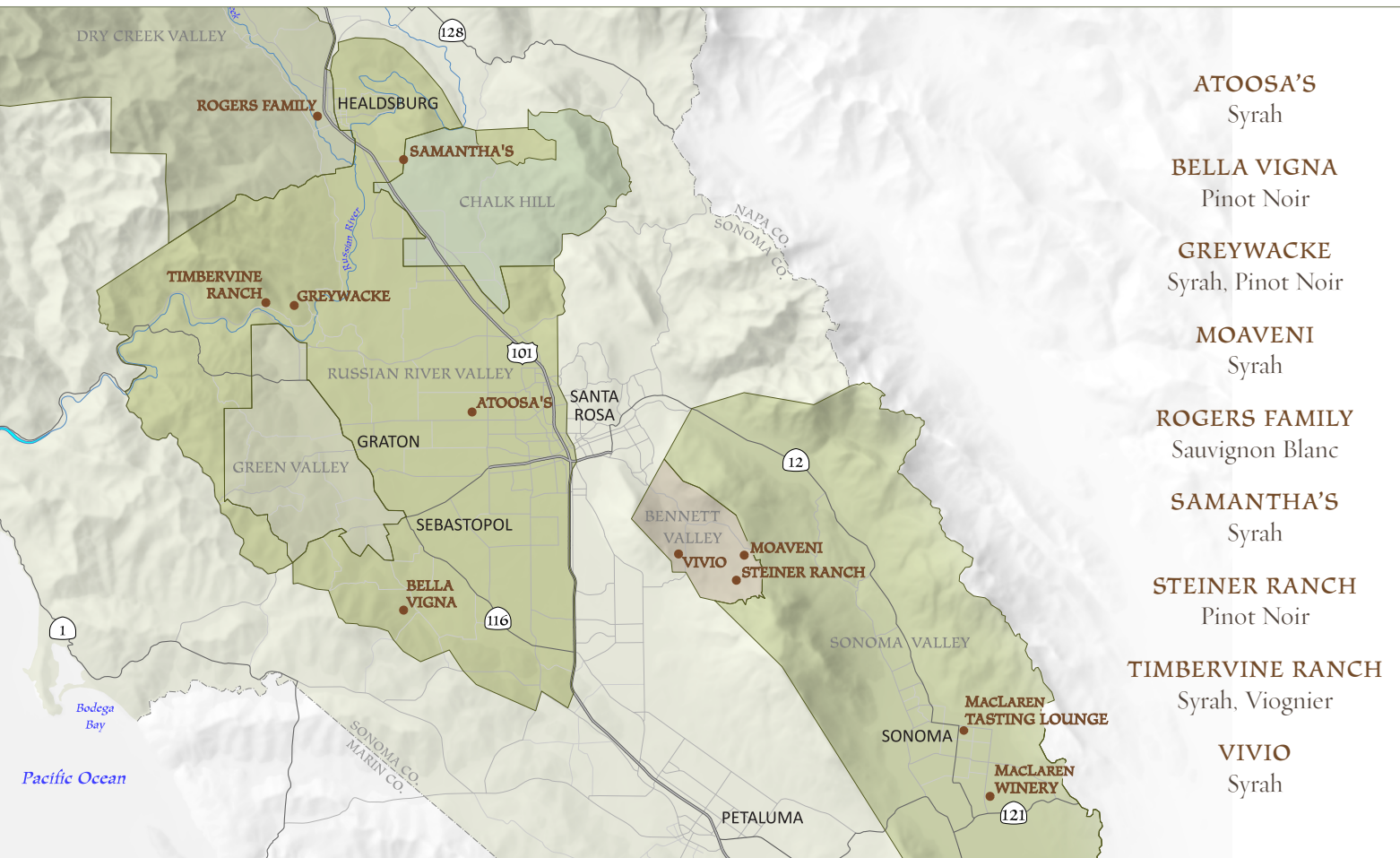


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VINEYARD PARTNERS



Vineyard selection is one of our most important quests. Fortunately, many knowledgeable and dedicated winegrowers reside in Sonoma County, and they are as passionate about the resulting wine as they are about their viticulture practices. When winemaker and winegrower are true partners throughout the growing season, the finished wine expresses a true sense of place.



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PORTFOLIO OF EXCELLENCE



Discover food-friendly varietals grown in extraordinary cool-climate vineyards across Sonoma County.



SYRAH

Atoosa's Vineyard, *Russian River Valley* \$52

Bonnie Glenn Vineyard, *Bennett Valley* \$52

Moaveni Vineyard, *Bennett Valley* \$52

Samantha's Vineyard, *Russian River Valley* \$52

Timbervine Ranch Vineyard, *Russian River Valley* \$52

Drouthy Neebors, *Sonoma County* \$56

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HEATHER PINOT NOIR

Bennett Valley / Russian River Valley \$48

AIDA VIOGNIER

Timbervine Ranch Vineyard, *Russian River Valley* \$42

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LEE'S SAUVIGNON BLANC

Rogers Vineyard, *Dry Creek Valley* \$32

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KENZIE ROSÉ

Samantha's Vineyard, *Russian River Valley* \$32

"MacLaren's Sonoma Syrahs all show classic cool-climate characteristics: floral aromas, pepper, a meatiness that's hard to ignore and acidity that lifts the mix of savory and fruity." - Virginie Boone

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ACCOLADES



2018	Kenzie Rosé	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	91	Wine Enthusiast
2017	Kenzie Rosé	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	90	Wine Enthusiast
2018	Aida Viognier	<i>Dry Creek Valley</i>	90	Wine Enthusiast
2017	Lee's Sauvignon Blanc	<i>Dry Creek Valley</i>	90 / 92	Wine Enthusiast / Tasting Panel
2016	Lee's Sauvignon Blanc	<i>Dry Creek Valley</i>	92	Wine Enthusiast
2015	Samantha's Vineyard Syrah	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	90	Wine Enthusiast
2014	Samantha's Vineyard Syrah	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	94	Wine Enthusiast
2016	Timbervine Vineyard Syrah	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	92	Wine Enthusiast
2016	Atoosa's Vineyard Syrah	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	90	Wine Enthusiast
2015	Atoosa's Vineyard Syrah	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	91	Wine Enthusiast
2014	Moaveni Vineyard Syrah	<i>Bennett Valley</i>	92	Wine Enthusiast CELLAR SELECTION
2015	Drouthy Neebors Syrah	<i>Sonoma County</i>	90	Wine Enthusiast
2016	Heather Pinot Noir	<i>Bennett Valley</i>	93	Wine Enthusiast
2014	Heather Pinot Noir	<i>Russian River Valley</i>	93	Tasting Panel

