

CELEBRATING 79 YEARS of WINEGROWING

HENDRY VINEYARD PRACTICES

At Hendry, we have a strong sense of environmental responsibility. We base our choices in the vineyard on a desire to continue farming this land ethically and sustainably, as our family has done for the last seventy-nine years.

We do not routinely apply any herbicides or pesticides in the vineyard. We maintain a complex, naturally diverse cover crop to foster healthy, aerated soil and minimize the need for added nitrogen, therefore minimizing potential nitrogen runoff that could be harmful to our nearby stream and river. As needed, we apply potassium and phosphorus to the soil before the first rains of the season to support this cover crop, which in turn, supports the grapes. The remains of the winemaking process-skins, seeds and stems--are plowed back into the soil each harvest. The sulfur we apply in the vineyard is organically derived.

We have not sought, nor do we intend to seek, certification of any kind, choosing instead to follow our own path of best and most responsible practices to maintain a healthy vineyard and environment, while reserving the option to use specific, short term and targeted solutions, organic or otherwise, should an urgent or difficult insect threat appear. Thankfully, this is something that has occurred only a handful of times in the last eight decades.

Please contact us if you would like to discuss any aspect of our vineyard management in greater detail.

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