

OUR PHILOSOPHY...



At Sextant Wines we are devoted to creating unmatched, old world varietal wines by taking full advantage of the ideal wine grape terroir of the Central Coast region. This allows us to grow grapes to their optimal maturity, creating unique wines of supreme quality.

OUR SPECIALTY

The highly acclaimed Sextant Wines specializes in powerful Zinfandel and Petite Sirah Blends.

THE WINEMAKER

With over 16 years of experience, Michael Fay is an industry-celebrated winemaker and a recognized specialist in California viticulture.

Born in Vicenza, Italy, Fay developed a passion for winemaking while studying forestry management. “I wanted to cultivate a relationship with nature,” he admits, “but my growing love of Pinot made me realize I didn’t want to make paper—I wanted to make wine.” Fay transferred to Cal Poly to study enology and viticulture, taking a role at Cambria Estate. He moved on to become cellar master at Firestone Vineyards, expanding his purview into coastal Cabernets and rich Zinfandels. By 2007, Fay juggled roles as assistant winemaker for Cambria and lead winemaker for Los Alisos Wines. He also oversaw the design of the Enology department while teaching at Allan Hancock College. Most recently, Fay led one of the most diverse programs in California as winemaker for Duckhorn’s Goldeneye Winery.

Fay has mastered his craft by making small lot, site-specific wines, using old world techniques. “Michael’s emphasis on clonal selections speaks to the roots on which Sextant Wines was formed,” offers Proprietor Craig Stoller. He brings a perspective that complements Sextant’s mission: “My goal isn’t to speak for the wines, but to let the wines speak for themselves.”

We are humbled and beyond grateful to have Winemaker Michael Fay at the helm of Sextant Wines.

THE WINEMAKING PROCESS...



THE TECHNIQUES

At Sextant Wines we pride ourselves in producing wines using natural, hands-off winemaking techniques.

THE ESTATE WINERY AND PRODUCTION FACILITY

Sextant Wines has built a state-of-the-art custom crush and winemaking facility complete with tasting room and hospitality center. The new facility is located on the west side of Highway 46 in Paso Robles. *We invite you to join us!*

