

PATRICK MURAN WINEMAKER

a scientist by education whose love of the outdoors and the natural world lead him to winemaking. patrick oversees our winemaking team and makes our wines from paso robles.

Fresh out of UC Santa Barbara with a degree in Microbiology, Patrick worked his first harvest in 2000 at Orcutt Road Cellars. He spent the next several years working under venerated French winemaker, Christian Roguenant, where he developed a sincere respect for hands-on experience over book-learning when it comes to the art of winemaking.

Patrick then headed to Santa Ynez, California, to become the head winemaker for Blackjack Winery where he focused on making small-production lots of Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah and Chardonnay. Patrick joined Niner Wine Estates in 2009 and was promoted to Winemaker in 2013. Outside of Niner, Patrick keeps busy cultivating new pursuits with his wife Heather, their 2 daughters, Kaylinn and Clare, and their Australian Shepherd, Bell. Patrick's love of surfing has taken him all over the world and he is also an avid river rafter, backpacker and snowboarder.



MOLLY BOHLMAN WINEMAKER

a grapevine salesman, vineyard manager and enologist whose passion for pinot noir lead her to winemaking. molly makes our wines from edna valley.

After an introduction to the world of wine during a study-abroad in the South of France Molly had the bug. Upon graduating from Cal Poly with a BS in Fruit Science and a Minor in Wine and Viticulture she landed her first job at a research vineyard and winery operated by the University of Minnesota. In the 20 years since she has methodically worked across several functions within the industry seeking to understand sales, vineyard science and winemaking by doing.

In 2014, Molly came to Niner after working at Paul Hobbs Wines, where she was winemaker for the Crossbarn brand. In her spare time Molly enjoys spending time outside, crafting, and enjoying food and wine with family and friends. She lives in San Luis Obispo with her husband Daniel, and son Sawyer.