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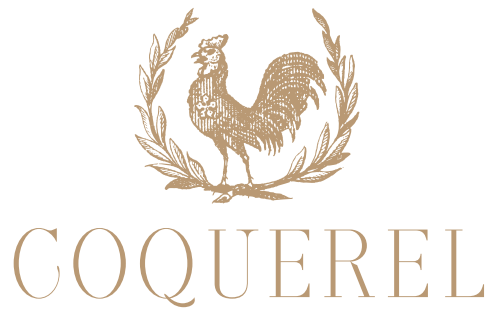
A DIFFERENT VIEW OF NAPA

COQUEREL FAMILY WINE ESTATES is located just beyond the town of Calistoga at the north end of the Napa Valley. The heart and soul of our winery is our estate vineyard, a gorgeous, oak-studded property that sits in the afternoon shadows of the Mayacamas Mountains. Since 2006, we have done extensive enhancement and replanting of the site to ensure world-class fruit from vintage to vintage. The combination of warm temperatures and deep, clay soils makes this ideal terroir for Sauvignon Blanc, our flagship variety. It also produces exceptional Verdelho, Tempranillo, Petite Sirah, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc.



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ESTATE WALNUT WASH VINEYARD

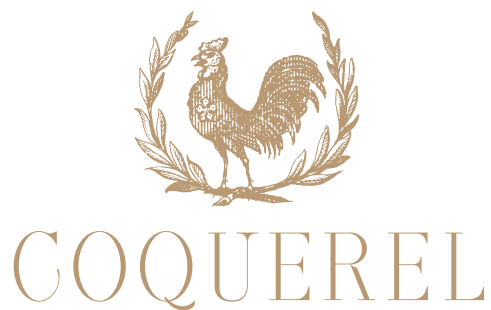


Our estate “Walnut Wash” vineyard sits in the afternoon shadows of the Mayacamas Mountains at the north end of Napa Valley in the Calistoga AVA. The site is warm and protected and features a mix of deep clay and stony soils. There are currently fifteen acres planted to Sauvignon Blanc, Verdelho, Petite Sirah, Tempranillo, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. Under the guidance of winemaker Christine Barbe, our vineyard is intensely farmed for low yields and high quality. The unique conditions and favorable terroir produces exceptional fruit each vintage.



HIGHLIGHTS

- **LOCATION:** Calistoga, Napa Valley, CA
- **ACREAGE:** 15 acres planted to vines
- **TERRAIN:** Gentle slope below Mayacamas Mountain Range
- **SOIL:** Mix of deep clay and stones
- **CLIMATE:** Relatively warm and protected
- **VARIETALS:** Sauvignon Blanc
Verdelho
Rose´ of Cabernet
Tempranillo
Petite Sirah
Cabernet Sauvignon
Cabernet Franc



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OUR PASSIONATE OWNERS



CLAY & BRENDA COCKERELL

As serious wine lovers for more than three decades, Clay and Brenda Cockerell have travelled extensively throughout the great appellations of Europe and sampled everything from simple, honest regional bottlings to some of the world's most celebrated wines.

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In 2005, they purchased a vineyard in Calistoga planted to old-vine, dry-farmed Sauvignon Blanc. In 2008 they acquired the adjacent site that was planted to a handful of traditional varieties rarely found in modern-day Napa. Since then they have revamped, replanted and upgraded their property to luxury-class winegrowing standards.



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OUR WINEMAKER



“Christine is one of the most passionate wine makers I’ve ever seen and the wines speak for that.”

WINEMAKER CHRISTINE BARBE was born and raised in Bordeaux France. She studied biochemistry and received her doctorate degree in Enology and Viticulture from the Bordeaux Institute of Enology. Her knowledge of sauvignon blanc is extensive as she made wine at Chateau Carbonnieux and La Louviere in Pessac-Leognan. Christine worked with the renowned Denis Dubourdieu and learned firsthand how to taste sauvignon blanc grapes as they ripen and how to harvest them to maximize the aroma and flavor of the wine.

In 1996 Christine moved to California where she engaged in winemaking and viticulture research for Robert Mondavi, Gallo and Trinchero. Christine also produces wonderful wine under her personal label Toquade.

Christine oversees the winemaking and viticultural programs and practices at our estate vineyard in Calistoga. In the spirit of the traditional French vigneron, a life she knows well from her years in Bordeaux, Christine manages all aspects of our farming, harvesting, vinification and bottling to ensure the highest quality, most expressive wines possible.

