



Biodiversity



Six Pillars of Sustainable Winegrowing Leadership





Waste Prevention &

Supply Chain

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS	NAPA GREEN VINEYARD	NAPA GREEN WINERY	REGENERATIVE ORGANIC*	ORGANIC*	BIODYNAMIC*
Developed for Wine Industry	✓	✓			
Environmental Compliance	Foundation for entry	Foundation for entry			
Whole Property Certification	✓	✓	✓		✓
Allow Organic Pesticides	✓		✓	✓	✓
Allow some Synthetic Pesticides, with Restrictions	✓				
Social Justice, Diversity & Inclusion	✓	✓	✓		
Water Efficiency	✓	✓			
Energy Efficiency	✓	✓			
Waste Prevention & Supply Chain		✓			
Healthy Soils & Biodiversity	✓		✓		✓
Forest Management & Fire Resilience	✓				
Climate Action	✓	✓	✓		
Carbon Farm Plan Report	✓				
Irrigation DU Report	✓				
Integrated Resource Assessment Report		✓			
Track Metrics & Continuing Improvement	✓	✓			
Third-Party Audit	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		√ ability or stewardship	*	•	1

*ROC, Organic & Biodynamic DO NOT include sustainability or stewardship standards for production & distribution.

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NAPA GREEN LAND

- Launched in 2004.
- Practices to improve the health of the Napa River and watershed by preventing erosion & soil runoff.
- In 2017, the Water Board adopted these best practices and "Farm Plan" as regulatory compliance for vineyard Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR).
- Environmental compliance is fundamental. Our mission is to help our members continuously take sustainability leadership to the next level.

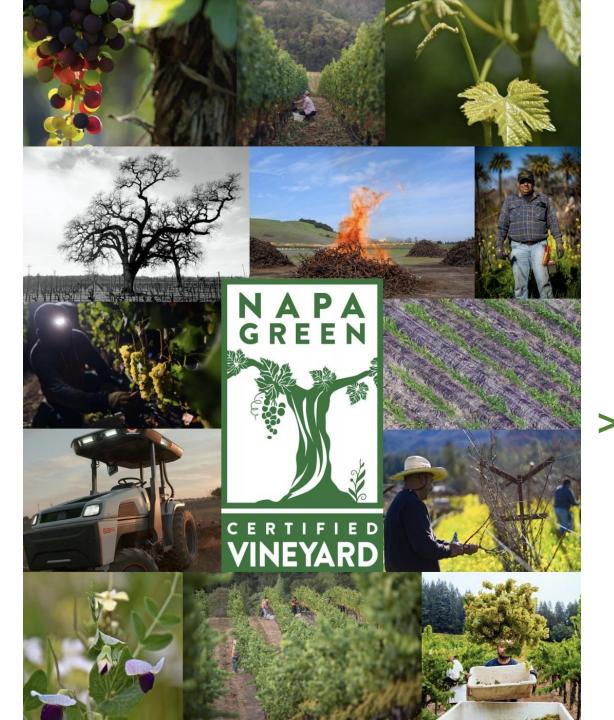
NAPA GREEN VINEYARD







- REPLACES Land program as of Jan. 2022.
 Members have one-year to transition.
- First wine industry sustainability certification to focus on climate action, regenerative farming, and social equity.
- Cutting edge program to address the critical issues of today and tomorrow.



>90 required practice

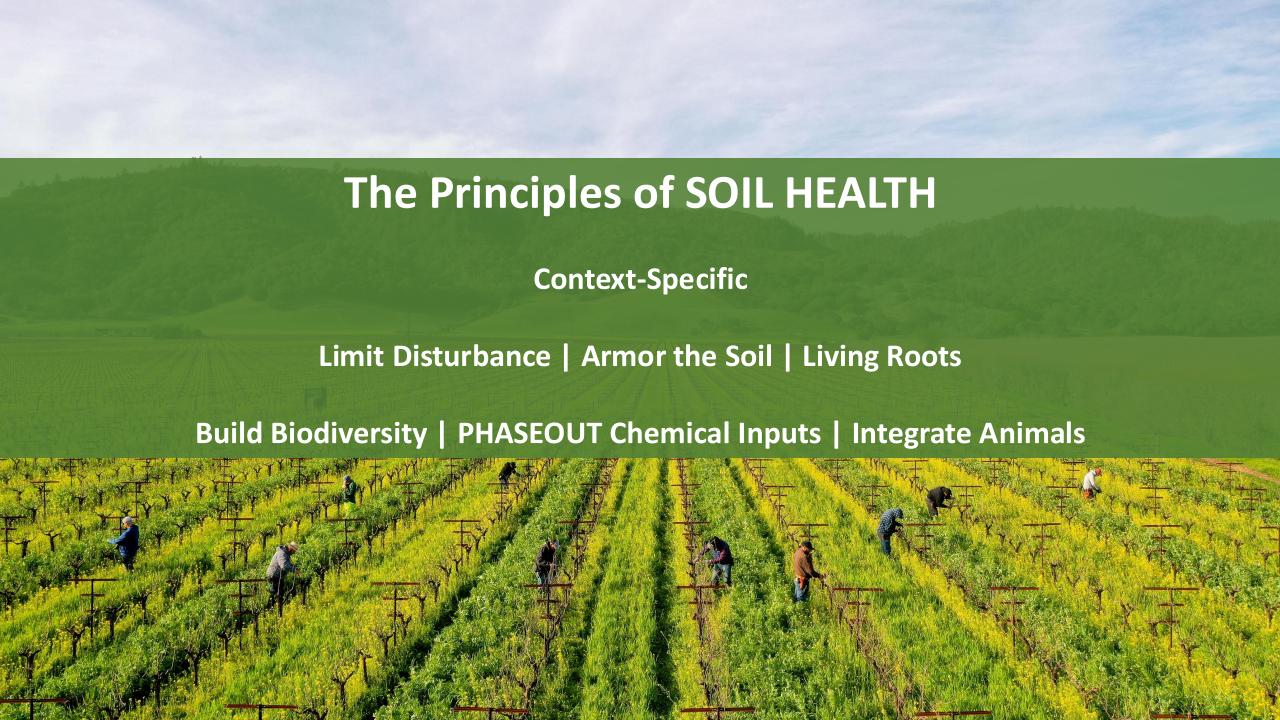




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INDUSTRY NEWS







Napa Green Certified Vineyards implement >90 sustainability & climate action practices:

I. Social Justice, Diversity & Inclusion

II. REGENERATIVE AG, SOIL HEALTH & CARBON FARM PLANS

- Custom Carbon Farm Plan for every vineyard property w/COMET sequestration analysis paired with Scope 1&2 emissions inventory
- Assistance with soil sampling and analysis
- Implementation funding E.g., Zero Foodprint, Healthy Soils, SWEEP
- Pilot partnerships E.g., Agrology real-time carbon monitoring

III.IRRIGATION ASSESSMENTS & WATER EFFICIENCY

DU Assessment and Recommendations report

IV. Forest Management for Health & Fire Resilience

- Connections with resources including Resource Conservation District, North Bay Forest Improvement Program, The Clean Burn Company
- V. Prohibited & Restricted Pesticides

VI. CLIMATE-SMART BURNING & ALTERNATIVES

Conservation/low-smoke burn, flame-cap kiln and Air Curtain Burner demonstrations and training



Benefits of Regenerative Farming

- Improving soil health
- Water infiltration and retention
- Microbial, fungal, plant, and animal diversity
- Resilience to drought, high heat, and, conversely, heavy, rapid rain events
- Resilience to disease and pest pressure
- Building belowground carbon storage
- Napa Green Vineyards are already sequestering 12,300 tons of CO2e, equivalent to the annual electricity use of 2,560 homes.
- Napa Green has identified additional opportunities to improve soil health, water health, climate resilience and store another 14,100 tons of CO2e.











BHAG: Carbon Neutral in Six years and Climate positive in Nine Years







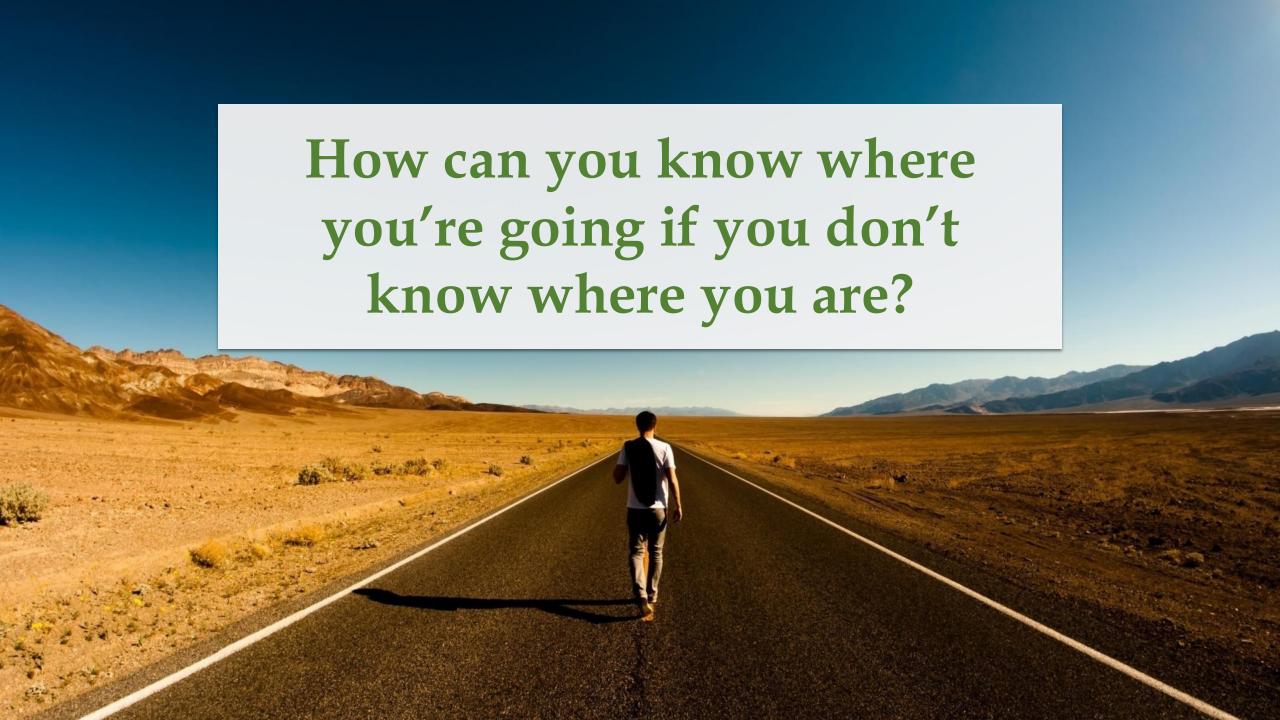
Don't Overlook What is Essential

We have two women leading an all-Latino winemaking team. Our small cellar team of six has all been here 15 plus years, with a 50:50 split of women to men. At least once a year we visit another winery that is a leader in sustainability. This helps keep everyone engaged and thinking about both low-hanging fruit and long-term dreams for saving water and energy, reducing emissions, and building resilience. Laura Orozco, our Assistant Winemaker, is bullish about recycling and composting and keeping the team trained. We focus on development and opportunities for advancement, and have a budget for education to support professional and personal growth. Edgar Lona joined as a cellar intern in 1997, and is now the Cellar Master & Facility Supervisor. We are working with The Roots Fund to hire interns for harvest to broaden and diversify our talent pool. We also try to be generous with work-life balance, especially with the home-schooling challenges during COVID. Napa Green has broadened our perspective of what sustainability really means — it is so much more than how we grow our grapes. Diversity and social inclusion are a part of our fabric, essential to sustain our business and make us better.

-Elizabeth Vianna, Winemaker & General Manager, Chimney Rock Winery

NAPA GREEN CERTIFIED WINERIES: Accendo Cellars, ADAMVS, Alpha Omega, Amici Cellars, Artesa Vineyards & Winery, Ashes & Diamonds, Ballentine Vineyards, Bennett Lane Winery, Beringer Vineyards, Blackbird Vineyards, Boeschen Vineyards, Bouchaine Vineyards, BRAND Napa Valley, CADE Estate Winery, Cakebread Cellars, Cardinale, Castello di Amorosa, Chateau Boswell Winery, Chimney Rock Winery, Cliff Lede Vineyards, Clos Du Val, Conn Creek Winery, Covert Estate, Crocker & Starr Wines, Cuvaison, Dalla Valle Vineyards, Domaine Carneros, Domaine Chandon, Etude, Far rgich Hills Estate, Hagafen Cellars, Handwritten Wines. Hyde Niente Winery, Frank Family Vineyards, Gamble Family Vineyards, Estate Winery, Jessup Cellars, Joseph Phelps Vineyards, Judd's Hill Winery, Larkmead Vineyards, Markham Vineyards, Mumm Napa, Nickel & Nickel, O'Brien Estate, Odette Materra I Cunat Family Vineyards, Merryvale Vineyards Estate Winery, Peju Winery, Peter Paul Wines, Phifer Pavitt Wine Pine Ridge Vineyards, Porter Family Vineyards, Priest Ranch, Provenance Vineyards, Raymond Vineyards, RD Winery, Robert Biale Vineyards, Robert Craig Winery, Robert Mondavi Winery, Rombauer Vineyards, Rutherford Hill Winery, alvestrin, Schramsberg Vineyards, Schweiger Vineyards, Seavey Vineyard, Silenus Winery, Silver Oak, Sloan Estate, St. Supéry Estate Vineyards & Winery, Stag's Leap Wine Cellars, Sutter Home Winery, The Caves at Soda Canyon, The Prisoner Wine Company, Trefethen Family Vineyards, Tres Sabores, Trois Noix, Truchard Vineyards, Turnbull Wine Cellars, Twomey Cellars, Viader Vineyards & Winery, Wheeler Farms Winery, Whitehall Lane, Young Inglewood Vineyards, ZD Wines





ENERGY

(Caveat — Issue of Scale)

EXCELLENT
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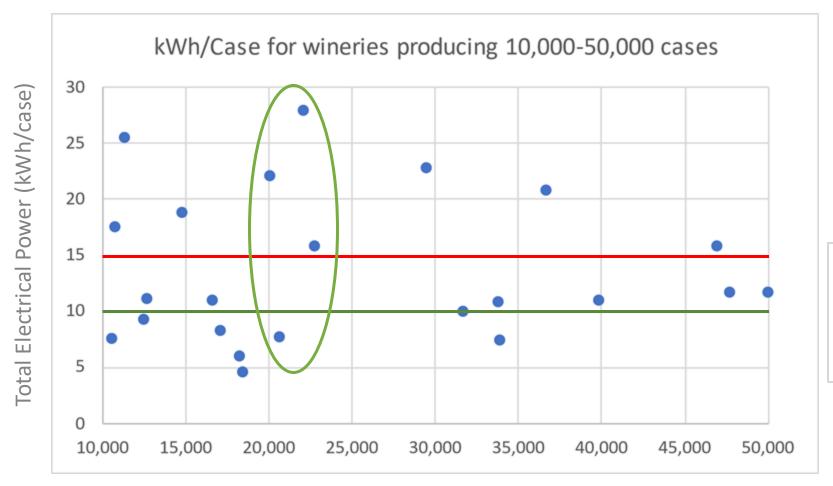
OKAY 10-15 kWh/case

NEEDS IMPROVEMENT >15 kWh/case

Goal posts based on industry research and results from 240+ winery audits to date

Energy Intensity Metrics 10,000-50,000 Cases

kWh/case for TOTAL energy use — Grid + Solar (if applicable)



Two wineries making 20-25k cases of wine.

Efficiency Difference:

\$200,000 a YEAR in

savings

- Okay Efficiency (<15 kWh/case)
- Excellent Efficiency(<10 kWh/case)</p>
- Total Electrical Usage

Production Cases/year

WATER

(Caveat — Issue of Scale)

EXCELLENT 3-6 Gal/Gal

OKAY 6-10 Gal/Gal

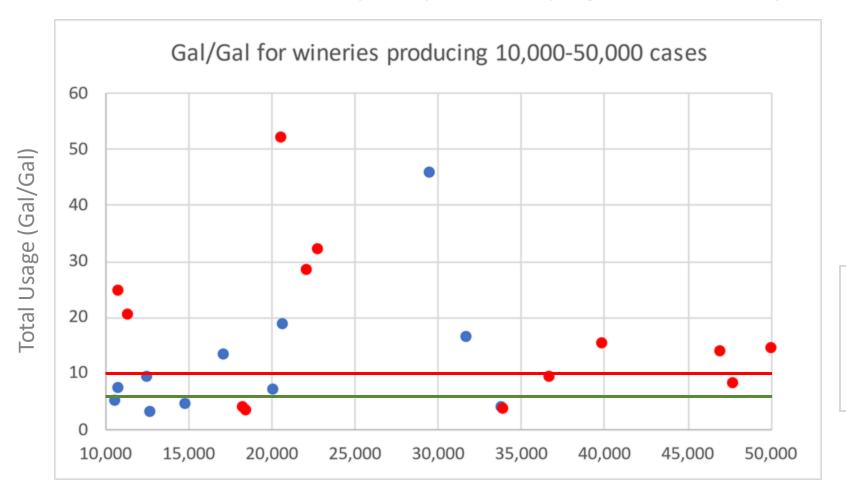
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT >10 Gal/Gal

Goal posts based on CSWA research and energy efficiency report, as well as 240+ audits

Water Intensity Metrics 10,000-50,000 Cases

Gallons of water used/Gallon of wine produced

Process + Administration + Hospitality + Landscaping (unless noted by color)

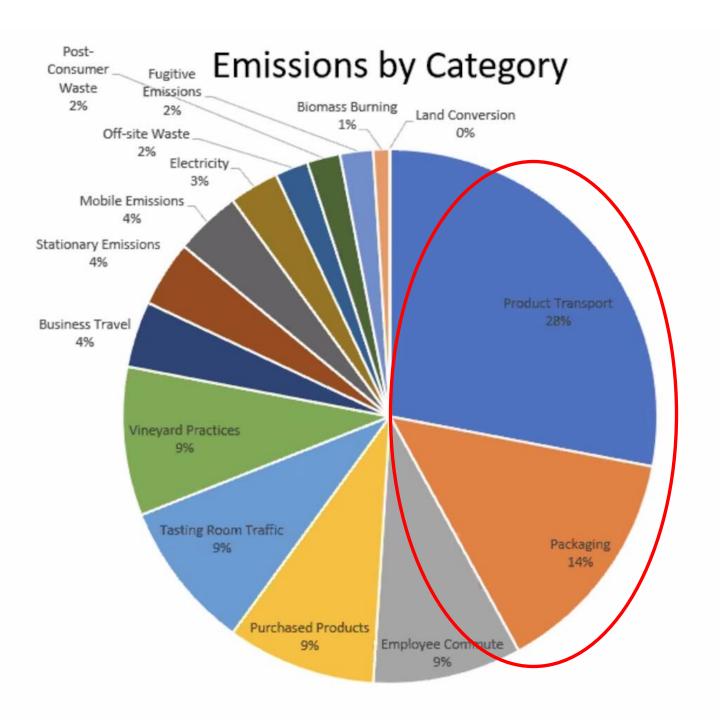


- Okay Efficiency (<10 Gal/Gal)
- Target Water Efficiency (3-6 Gal/Gal)
- Total Water Usage (with landscape)
- Winery Water Usage only

Note: Water has embedded energy cost

Production Cases/year









Shipping Packaging

We ship all wines directly from the winery, allowing us a greater ability to ensure wine quality to your doorstep. Beginning on August 30, 2021, all of our wine shipping materials are 100% compostable, recyclable, and reusable. We are proud to feature GreenCell Foam, a BPI-certified compostable insulation made from renewable, U.S. grown corn. This change will remove over 30,000 cubic feet and over 15,000 pounds of styrofoam per year from landfills and commercial waste facilities. This change represents our commitment to our customers, our communities, and our global environment.





Paper Goods

Paper usage has been highlighted as a goal for improvement. One of our first steps is to move from inserting packets of paper with tasting sheets and recipes and other information into B Society shipments. We now insert a single piece of card stock with various "QR codes" linking pages on our website which contain all of this information and more.



Thank you for purchasing our wine.



We hope that you will enjoy this wine for many years. If you can't resist trying it, please let the wine rest from its travels for at least twenty-one days and carefully decant before serving.

Kindly take note that our foam and pulp packaging materials are made from recycled products and are 100% recyclable in areas that offer recycling.

Cheers,

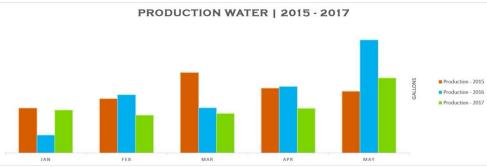
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ENGAGING EMPLOYEES

- · Monthly trainings focused on water conservation and efficiency
- Visual feedback of actual water usage
- Providing a platform to discuss and amend SOP's
- Incentive to compete with prior years
- Plan to expand this to all departments











U.S. Sustainable Winegrowing Certifications

Comprehensive - Soil to Bottle























Environmental Compliance Certifications





Environmental Certifications













Sustainable Market Share Index™: Methodology







Partnership

Partnered with Circana (formerly IRI)

Point of Sale Data

POS data examined to date:

- 36 categories
- 12 years: January 2013 through December 2024
- Reviewed over 250,000 products; excluding store brands

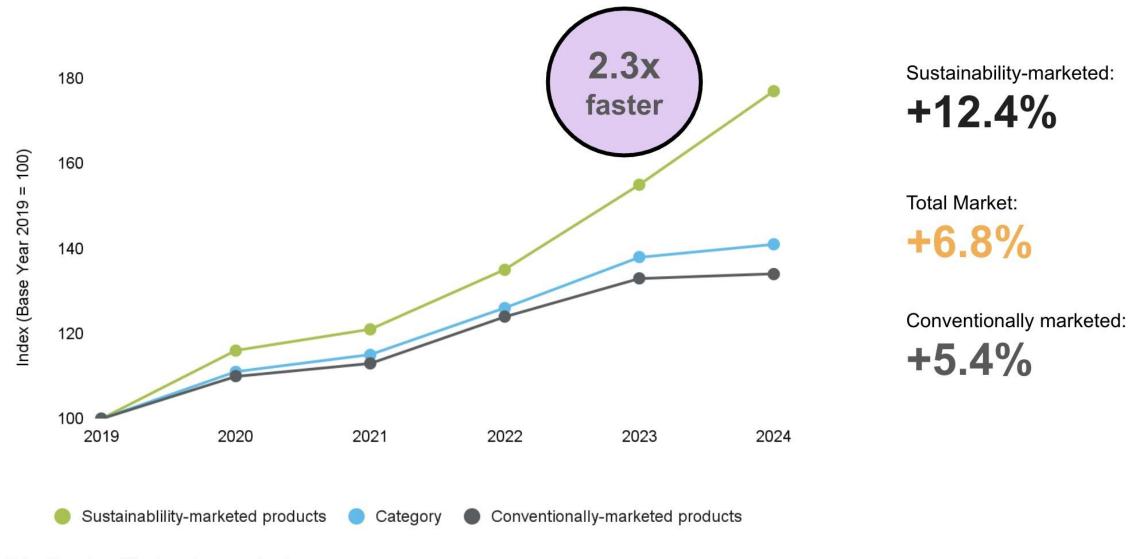
Research Analysis

Identified all SKUs for each category marketed as sustainable with on-package communication (e.g., third-party certification, Organic, no phosphates/phthalates, FSC)

Outer packaging not examined

Note: All estimates and analysis in this presentation based on Circana data are by the authors and not by Circana, formerly Information Resources, Inc.

Sustainable Market Share Index™: Growth Rate 5-YR CAGR



Note: Based on 36 categories examined

The OPPORTUNITY

Edelman and the NYU Stern Center for Sustainable Business (CSB) developed a cutting-edge research initiative to identify which environmental sustainability claims best resonate with consumers, helping brands refine their positioning by integrating sustainability messaging into their communication.

We partnered with nine iconic consumer brands across multiple industries, and conducted a comprehensive literature review to deliver concrete insights that informed this messaging best practice research and guide.

The goal of this effort is to equip brands with the most effective communication strategies that refine positioning and empower marketers to deliver sustainability as a driver of consumer preference.

METHODOLOGY

A custom online study was conducted among a sample of the US general population in end 2022/early 2023 for the nine iconic brands.

Respondents for each brand were asked to evaluate 30-35 different claims (including a mix of category and environmental sustainability claims) to gauge their overall appeal.

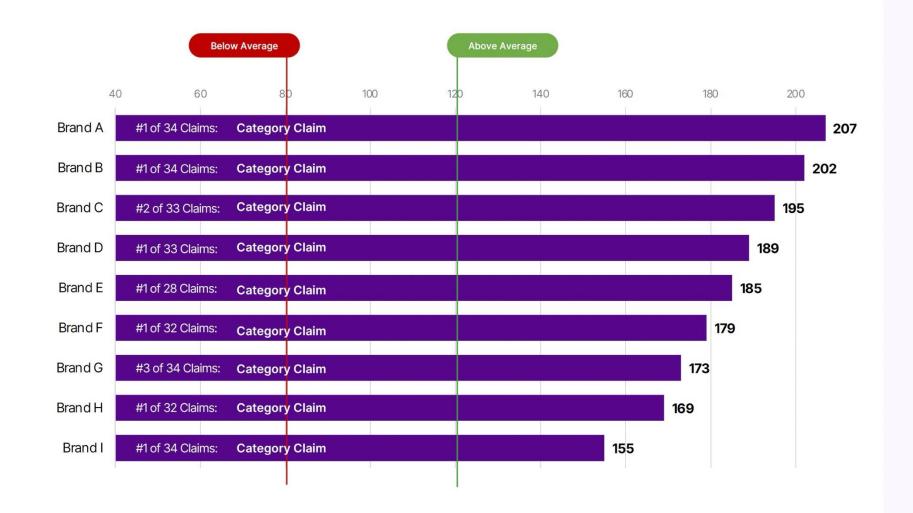


Rather than using a traditional rating scale, we utilized a user-friendly and robust analytical approach called MaxDiff. It essentially forces a top and bottom pick from a short list of claims in each choice set, making the respondent task easier, and providing better discrimination in responses across the claims. Each respondent evaluated multiple choice sets, allowing for claims to be randomized based on an experimental design. The MaxDiff results yielded an appeal score for each claim—in aggregate and among key sub-groups of interest.

The MaxDiff scores for each brand were then loaded into a TURF simulator to identify the optimal combination of claims to maximize overall appeal.

Overall Lessons Learned:

Category Claims Are Paramount



Core category claims –

e.g. tastes good,
performs well – are
paramount and nonnegotiable. Consumers
look for benefits that are
germane to the
category. Overall,
category claims were
the most compelling
claims tested.

Note: The numerical value should be read as X% more appealing that an average claims. For Brand A at 207, that would be 107% more appealing than the average claim

Overall Lessons Learned:

Sustainability Claims Are Very Appealing



Sustainability claims however, also yielded a significant benefit, with all nine brands seeing a sustainable claim as either the most appealing (2 of 9 brands) or the topmost appealing (7 of 9 brands) claims, **outperforming** other category claims exposed.

The Sustainability Amplifier Effect





BEST RESONATING Sustainability Claims





Themselves and Their Families

Human Health

Saving Money



Local Farmers



Children and Future Generations



Animal Health



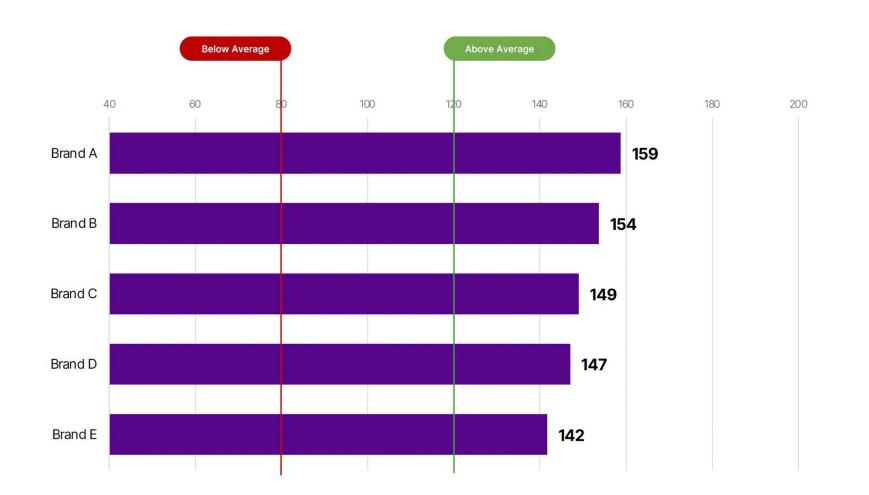
Sustainable Sourcing



Local Sourcing

Best Resonating Sustainability Claims:

Local Farmers



Consumers care most about their local farms and farmers and the long-term health of our food systems.

"Working with local farmers to ensure their soil stays healthy and continues to produce the highest quality ingredients for generations to come"

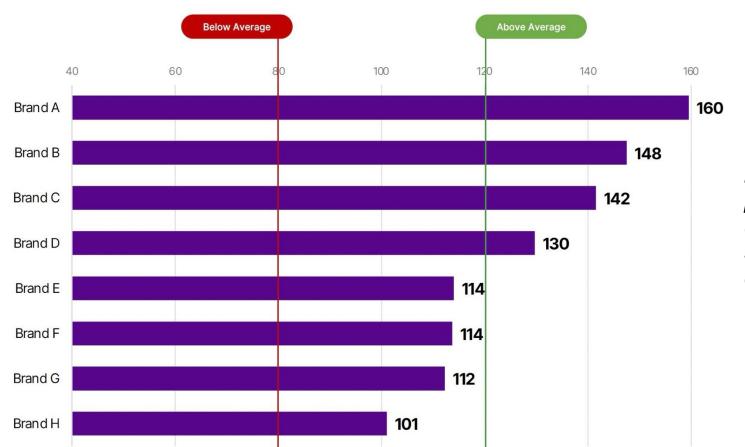
"Working with local farmers to ensure their farms are climate-resilient for the long term health of their farms and our food systems"

"Working with local farmers to use regenerative farming practices to help conserve nature, encourage biodiversity, and improve soil health"

"Working with local farmers on regenerative agricultural practices to ensure that the soil we source from stays healthy and full of nutrients, and in turn, the ingredients stay tasting delicious/full of flavor/full of flavor)"

Best Resonating Sustainability Claims:

Sustainable Sourcing



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chains, specifically, with the terms "sustainably-sourced" and "sustainably-produced".

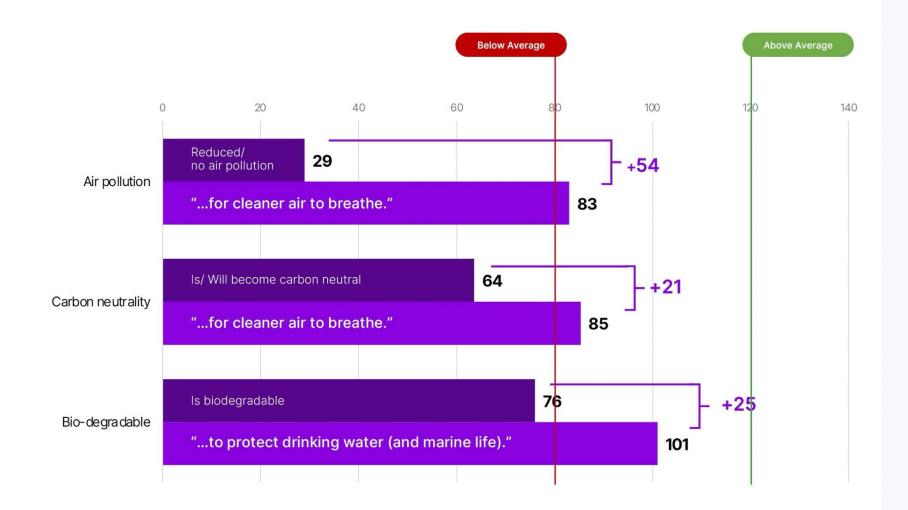
Understand that the term sustainable, as it relates to "sustainable sourcing and production" is clear and compelling, contrary to popular belief. Sustainable sourcing by itself does not need further explanation.

"100% sustainably sourced ingredients / materials"

"Uses only sustainable-sourced ingredients..."

Lower Resonating Sustainability Claims:

Scientific Causes

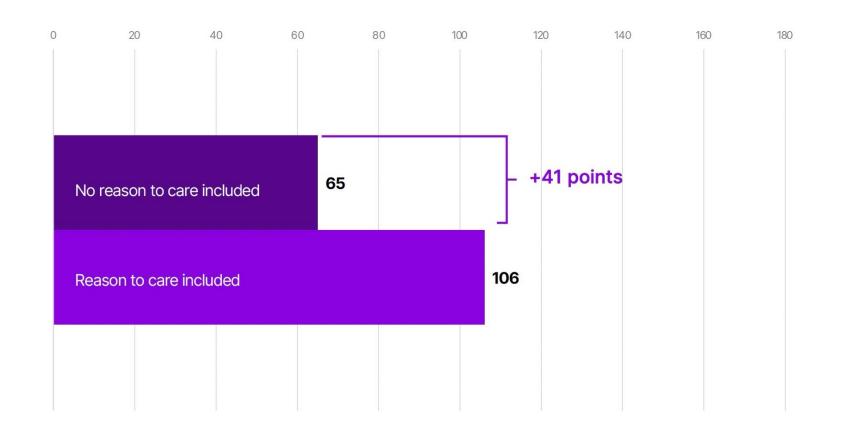


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Consumers care less about the scientific causes behind sustainability unless they are tied to a reason to care.

Lower Resonating Sustainability Claims:

Packaging



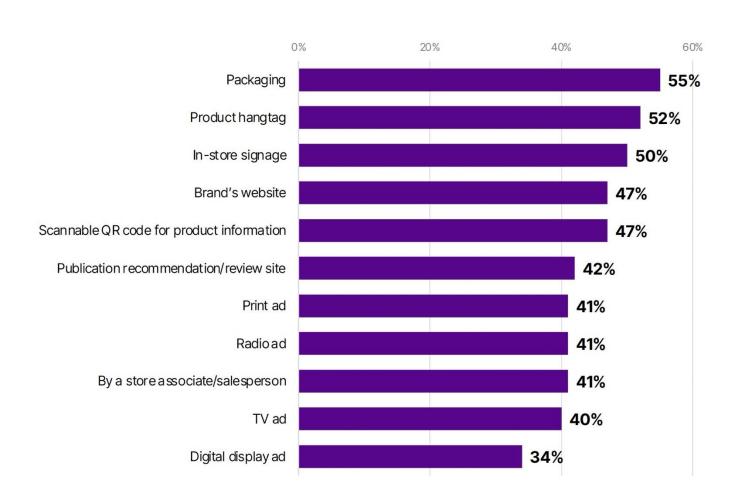
However, when the packaging claim includes a reason the consumer should care, appeal jumps significantly to average or above average, dependent on the claim.

"Microplastic-free packaging for human and ocean health"

"recycled bottled: saves 2 million tons of ocean bound plastic annually"

Channels:

Credibility & Frequency



80%

Claims made on packaging, on product hangtags and through in-store signage have the most **credibility**.

Note: The numerical value should be read as % claiming it is a top 3 most influential channel in purchase decision.

Role of Sustainability

Prioritize the communication of your brand benefit first and foremost. Leverage the relevant sustainability messaging to strengthen the brand positioning.

Sustainability by itself will not secure a leadership position.

Consumers enter the category to seek core category benefits e.g., food that tastes good, homecare products that effectively work, computers that have good processing power.

Sustainability will, however, broaden reach and appeal, deepen the consumer connection, and should be leveraged as a core reason to believe.



Identify the salient sustainability message that resonates with consumers and supports the brand benefit.

Strategic Considerations

Identifying effective sustainability claims can be guided by the following insights:

Link the sustainability claim to the category reason-for-being.

"100% sustainably farmed for a great tasting product"

Focus the claim on the benefit to the consumer and their families.

Consider sustainability claims that ensure the products are safe for human consumption or contact.

"Made without chemicals harmful to human health"

To the extent possible, provide a personal monetary benefit to the claim.

"Longer life," "less waste," "lower energy bills"

Articulate the claim with an emotional component, particularly as it relates to the long term health of the planet or their children.

"Good for your children/future generations," "good for the planet"

Strategic Considerations

Identifying effective sustainability claims should be guided by the learnings in this report (cont.)

For food and personal care categories, if possible, tie the claims to farmers and local sourcing.

"Sourced from local farmers"

Recognize that regenerative agriculture claims are compelling when focused on local farmers and their farms.

All articulations were appealing when tied to local farmers.

"Partnering with local farmers to ensure the long-term health of the farm for the future of our food systems"

"Partnering with local farmers to ensure the farms stay climate resilient, nutrient dense..."

Strategic Considerations

Identifying effective sustainability claims should be guided by the learnings in this report (cont.)

Provide a reason to care.

When communicating the more scientific aspects of sustainability, go beyond outcomes, and tie them to relevant reasons-to-care.

"Carbon neutral to reduce the impact of climate change" vs.

"carbon neutral" by itself

Quantify sustainability claims for greater impact.

"Using 1 million tons of ocean-recovered plastic bottles"

To build and retain trust, use certifications to guard against greenwashing, but don't rely on them as the sole point of information.

"100% sustainably sourced and certified by the Rainforest Alliance"*

Strive to deliver the product by using fully recyclable packaging.

"Made from 100% recycled plastic or cardboard" were the most compelling packaging claims

Wine Consumers Lean Green

- ☐ More likely to recycle (71% vs. 43-59%¹ in general population)
- ☐ Purchase organic or sustainably produced food (20/23% most or all, 40/43% "usually, if there's a choice")
- Highly concerned about climate change, harmful chemicals in the environment, safety of food supply (40-42% check "5-extremely concerned" on 5-point scale)
- Most believe organic foods are better for the climate, environment and healthier (75-85% agreement)
- ☐ Dichotomy: societal/community issues vs. personal health/safety.
 - Concerns only partially overlap, e.g. low correlation between harmful ingredients and climate change

Source: Wine Market Council Eco-Friendly Wine survey 2025 (online survey 1509 wine consumers from Wine Opinions panel & Cint) 159% per Paper & Packaging Board 2021, 43% per Recycling Partnership 2024)



Leading Reasons for Purchase of Organic Grape or Sustainably Produced wines

Want to support farmers/wineries that produce such wines	66%
These wines are better for the earth/environment	53%
These wines are better for me and my family	36%
I'm making a statement about my values	27%
These wines taste better than conventional wines	26%
I'm influencing society or economy by purchasing these wines	23%
Other	11%

Occasional wine drinkers under 40 <u>less</u> likely to cite social reasons (about 10% less).

Under-40s are <u>more</u> likely to cite "better for me" & "taste better" (both 41%).

Adding & highlighting personal benefits may expand the appeal to occasional and newer wine drinkers.

Source: Wine Market Council Eco-Friendly Wine survey 2025 (online survey 1509 wine consumers from Wine Opinions panel & Cint) Base: those who occasionally/regularly purchase organic, organic grape or sustainably produced wine



Certification

Wine consumers say certification matters:1

- 51% say they trust food or drink claims more if certified, while just 10% disagree with this.
- 47% say they would pay more for certified organic/sustainable food or drink
- Pricing experiments with Wine Opinions consumer panel in 2018 and 2025 showed evidence of premium pricing for certified sustainable vs. conventional versions of the same wine

BUT familiarity with specific certifications, organizations and logos outside USDA organic and B Corp is probably quite low.

2023 survey of the trade by CSWA showed under 50% familiar with any of the regional certifications, with only Certified CA Sustainable and Napa Green above 40%²

Thoughts

There are strong pro-sustainable tendencies among wine consumers and potential wine consumers

- "Green" consumers and wine consumers strongly overlap
- ✓ Majorities of wine consumers who have not tried eco-friendly wines want to try them
- Interest is higher among younger and female consumers and those who already buy eco-friendly foods
- ✓ Many of these consumers don't see or have low awareness of eco-friendly wines
- ✓ Majorities want more visible merchandising and wine list indicators

They are probabilistic, not deterministic; eco-friendly production is a filter or requirement for few, but a potential tie-breaker for many.

It's up to the industry to increase visibility, promotion, clarity and appeal to activate these consumer tendencies

Clearer signage
Clearer, louder labeling and logos
Simple explanations based on key attributes
Appeal to the social AND the personal benefits
Affordable versions

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DIRT

SAUVIGNON BLANCA Mariah Vineyards | Mendocino

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sourced exclusively from family-owned vineyards. Dedicated to expanding regenerative agriculture, 1% of DIRT wine sales goes to

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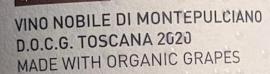
the vineyard soil to your regenerative agricultural glass, so you know exactly practices that build healthy g of our where your wine comes soils, climate resilience, from and how it was grown. and thriving farms. Above and thriving laring how it was grown. Environmentally all, DIRT is a continue to land light and light an to land lightweight glass bottles rity and exceptional quality wines ng roots and natural corks are pro- ty, without compromising duced in California, ensur- on honesty or environmental round inga short supply chain and tal stewardship.

Zero Foodprint's Initiative to Restore California, helping fund farmers to adopt









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CERTIFIED ORGANIC BY ICEA B2489 IMPORTED BY MASSANOIS LLC NEW YORK - NY

Alc.13.5% by Vol. @750 ml.

PRODUCT OF ITALY CONTAINS SULFITES

GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. [2] CONSUNPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.





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DIRECTLY IMPACTING REGENERATIVE TRANSFORMATION

Subtle citrus and stone fruit notes balanced with a vibrant acidity revealing a deep, mineral driven wine that is elegant and energetic.

Ingredients: grapes, sulfites. Produced & bottled by DIRT, Santa Rosa, CA.

You deserve to know what you drink. Scan to learn more.



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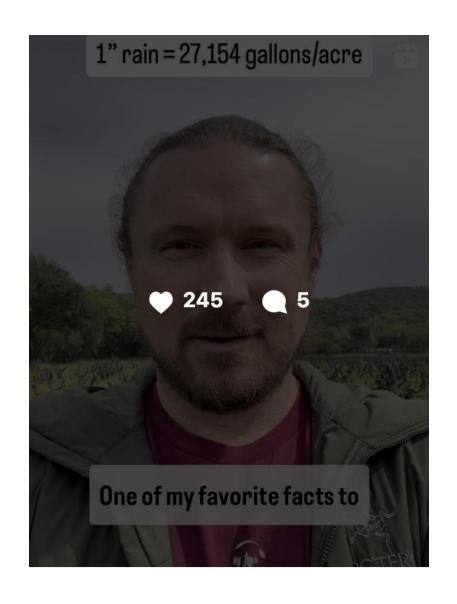
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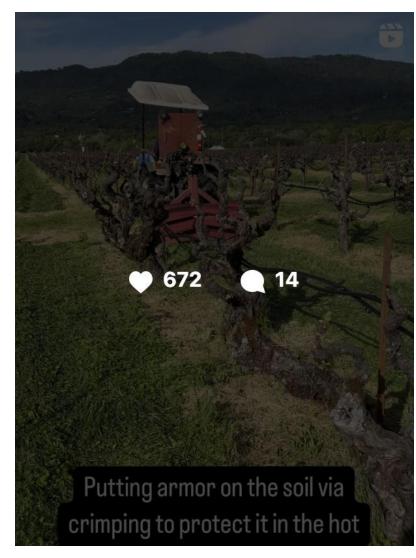




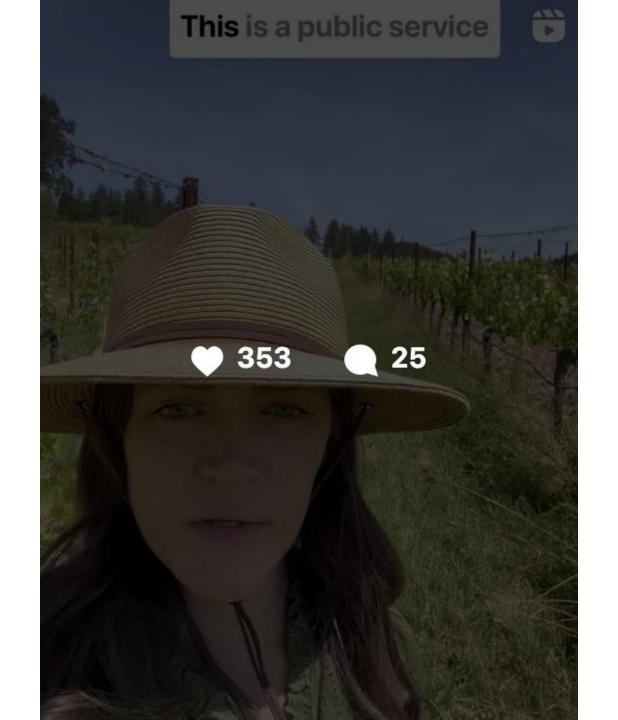




















tressabores 8w
Miguel, our assistant winemaker,
resident sheep and goat whisperer, is
all smiles this Sunday...
#howcouldyounot #babiesontheranch
#springsundays

Make your appointment to come see these cuties first hand! Link in bio for reservations

Photograph by Jane Gamble

#tressaboreswinery
#sustainablewinery #napagreen
#napavalleywinery
#winerylife #sundaysmiles



kristiemarinka 6w You're awesome Miguel!









April 27





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Tres Sabores



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Setting up house for the season! And,
plotting where they're going to get
those 80 insects (A DAY!) that they'll
need for their brood.

And thanks to the Humboldt/Davis/ Riverside/Wild Farm Alliance partnership —we now know from early results in their research project - that those insects definitely will include the bad guys that vector diseases to the #vines. It's a #breakthrough, really, and should be great news for us all!

If you build them a home: they will come!

Photographs by Jane Gamble





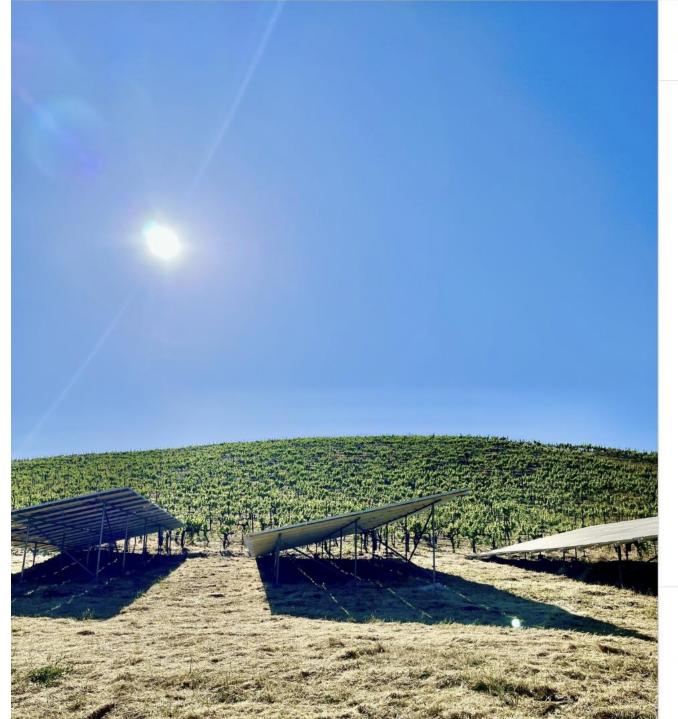














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Each vine at Tablas Creek is a little photovoltaic engine, powering the growth of roots, leaves, trunk, and (of course) fruit. Unfortunately, no one has yet figured out how to use grapevines to power the refrigeration, pumps, and electricity a winery needs to make, age, and store wine. That's why we also harness that solar power using four solar arrays. We put our first array (pictured, and easily visible from our tasting room) in 2006 and have since added three others. By 2022 we were producing 402,906 kWh of energy, or 102% of our total energy use.

Solar power, two ways. #FarmLikeTheWorldDependsOnIt





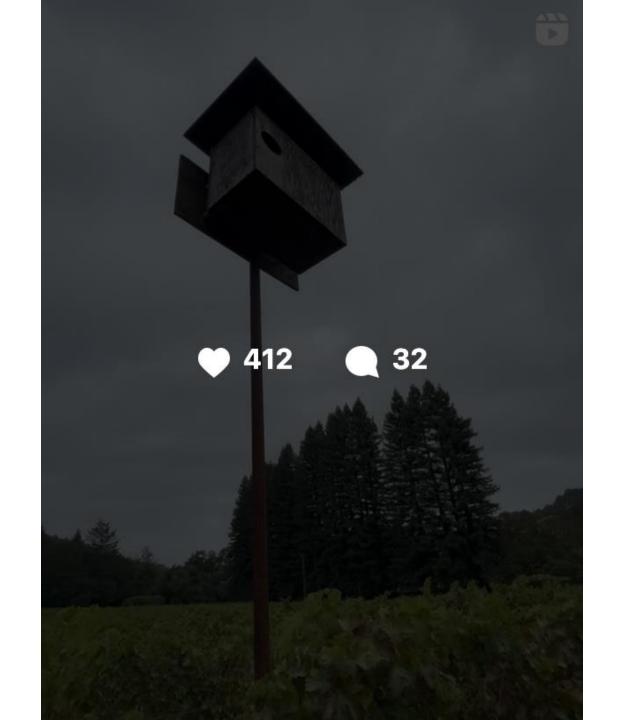


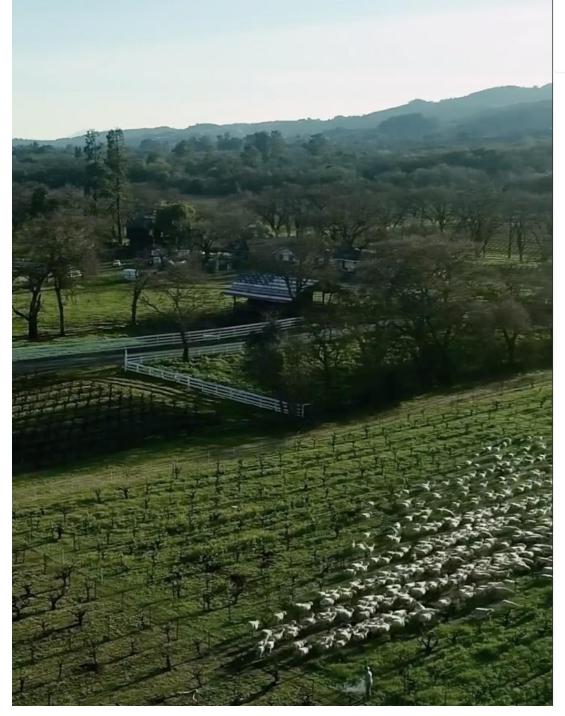




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bedrockmorgan 4 600 sheep moving into a new block in the 1888 plantings at Bedrock Vineyard. Those 600 hungry sheep eat down the first growth of cover crop and put out 1600 lbs per acre per day of droppings, which are essentially processed organic matter at a 23:1 carbon to nitrogen ratio. This means they are peppering the ground with pellets full of more stable carbon that can be digested by a healthy soil food web, which will provide 60-70 lbs of nitrogen to fuel the second growth of cover crops (the cover crops will regrow after being grazed) and eventually the vines. On top of this, it creates a more complex soil biome while stabilizing carbon more quickly. Research from Temple University that sheep grazing can increase soil-stored carbon by up to 80% in nontilled fields around solar installations. So not only do the sheep give us some weed control that would normally require a tractor-borne implement or human hand, they do so while providing nutrition to the soil and plants while also helping to stabilize carbon in the soil—definitely a win-win solution. Beyond this, increased carbon sequestration equates to higher soil organic matter and much greater water-holding capacity (my oft-repeated stat is a 1% increase in SOM equals roughly 20,000 gallons of water holding per acre), which makes the vineyard more resilient to drought while also capturing more rainfall when we get it, so we need to use less water and hopefully eventually none at all. The grapes from these blocks go into our flagship Bedrock Heritage Wine along with wines made by our friends at Turley, Carlisle and Ridge.

We are extremely grateful to our friends at Perennial Grazing, Christian and Shannon, as they are one of the first to offer grazing services to smaller vineyards. #grazing #organicgrapes #regenerativeagriculture #oldvines

