

An aerial photograph of a Sonoma County vineyard. The foreground and middle ground are dominated by rows of grapevines, some showing early autumn colors. A small farmstead with a white house and a barn is nestled among the vines. In the background, a dense forest of tall evergreen trees covers a hillside under a clear blue sky.

SPECTACULAR WINERIES

of Sonoma County

A CAPTIVATING TOUR OF ESTABLISHED, ESTATE AND BOUTIQUE WINERIES

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A winery is a unique building type, one that must seamlessly combine streamlined efficiency with an evocative, even romantic environment.

Taylor Lombardo Architects specializes in the design of wineries of all types and sizes, and during the last two decades, the firm has cultivated an extensive knowledge of the winemaking process. The facilities designed by the firm utilize inventive layouts to make the production process as efficient as possible. Additionally, the designs incorporate the latest in environmentally friendly technologies and sustainable materials.

A winery building acts as a laboratory for winemakers as well as a hospitality venue for guests. While a winery is by definition an agricultural building type, there is much room for innovation in the design process. Working closely with the owners, Taylor Lombardo Architects defines the winery's program elements, which in turn helps inform the basic plan of the buildings.

During the design process, careful thought is given to the relationship and flow of spaces as well as the connection of the building to its site. The end result is a beautifully proportioned production facility that is flexible enough to function as an elegant event space.



Top Right: Freestone Winery is a state-of-the-art, gravity-flow production facility that produces organic pinot noir.
Photograph by M.J. Wickham

Middle Right: The wine library, built of steel and glass with reclaimed oak wood racks, provides temperature-controlled storage for an exclusive wine collection.
Photograph by Odessa Schneider

Bottom Right: Located in the city of Cloverdale, Peay Winery was designed in an agricultural barn vernacular.
Photograph by Jason Liske

Facing Page: This private residential wine cave affords a simple yet elegant space for the owners to entertain friends.
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