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2012

Winemaker

Brooke Bobyak Price

Wines

Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon
Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon
Rutherford Sauvignon Blanc

Bella Union crafts artfully blended Napa Valley wines that display depth, complexity, and balance in every pour. Guided by the expertise of Far Niente Wine Estates, and a dedication to sustainable and socially responsible practices, Bella Union wines create synergy in the glass by marrying terroir, grape variety, and time-honored winemaking traditions into a singular whole. Since its founding, Bella Union has focused solely on crafting the best possible blended wines from Bordeaux varieties and top-tier vineyards across Napa Valley, a tradition the winery continues today.

The inaugural 2012 Bella Union Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, was released in September 2015. Bella Union's wines pair Rutherford fruit with traditional Bordeaux varieties from carefully selected vineyards throughout the Napa Valley. Many years of experience farming and crafting Cabernet Sauvignon in Napa across appellations as diverse as Oakville, Howell Mountain, Stags Leap District, and St. Helena, has helped the winery to intimately know the very best sites—each with its defining characteristics—from which to create Bella Union Cabernet.

The name Bella Union is an homage to the historic Bella Union Railway located on Bella Oaks Lane — Bella Union's original home. In addition to the original 25-acre vineyard on Bella Oaks Lane, a second 50-acre site just to the North was acquired in 2017, further cementing its Rutherford roots and providing a home for the future Bella Union Winery. Located on the Rutherford bench, this site provides prime exposure and allows for optimum ripeness while still acquiring the desired tannin characteristics that the area is famous for.

Bella Union's new home will offer the finest hospitality and continue to produce the high level of quality the winery is known for. Located on hallowed terroir in Napa's Rutherford AVA, the Bella Union will begin welcoming guests to discover how its Cabernet Sauvignon, Sauvignon Blanc, and dynamic blends elevate the ordinary to extraordinary at its new tasting room in 2024.



About Far Niente Wine Estates

Far Niente Wine Estates is a family of California wineries linked by a joint mission: To produce world-class wines representative of their home vineyards and grape varieties. Built around Oakville's Far Niente Estate, originally established by John Benson in 1885, Far Niente Wine Estates is committed to elevating California's finest terroirs through precision winemaking and conscientious farming. Abandoned during Prohibition, the original Oakville estate was restored by the Nickel family, and resumed wine production in 1982. Preserving and expanding the Napa legacy that began on this land over 135 years ago inspired Far Niente Wine Estates to gradually expand in the Napa and Russian River Valleys. The family of wineries includes several Cabernet Sauvignon-focused wineries including single-vineyard Cabernet pioneer Nickel & Nickel; the blend-focused Bella Union estate in Rutherford; and Post and Beam, a winery inspired by the America's iconic post and beam barns, and dedicated to crafting equally long-lived, classic wines. Far Niente Wine Estates also includes EnRoute, a Russian River Valley estate devoted to world-class Pinot Noir; and Dolce, America's leading late-harvest dessert wine.



Brooke Bobyak Price, Winemaker, Bella Union

Brooke Bobyak Price is the winemaker at Bella Union, where she leads the team in blending exceptional Napa Valley wines. Appointed as winemaker in 2020, Brooke works tirelessly to clarify what makes an ideal blend, and replicate that artistry in each vintage.

Previously, Brooke worked as the assistant winemaker at Nickel & Nickel. Here, she gained deep insight into how single vineyard wines express their distinct origins, a knowledge that supports her blending strategy today. In addition, Brooke has made wine in Tuscany, New Zealand, and top California estates including Stag's Leap Winery and Jordan.

Brooke studied Viticulture and Enology at UC Davis, and loves the challenge that comes with embracing the nuances of every vintage.