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DO YOU HAVE A GO-TO WINE AND FOOD PAIRING?

My favorite is cheese and wine – how can you go wrong with that? An aged gouda with a Cabernet is always a favorite.

WHAT WINE VARIETAL DO YOU THINK IS UNDERRATED?

Malbec! It's my favorite summertime red.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE VARIETAL OF WINE?

Depends on the season, but you can't beat a light Rose in the summertime and a nice big Cabernet in the winter.

WHAT IS ONE OF THE MOST REWARDING THINGS ABOUT YOUR JOB?

Getting to meet new people everyday and always do something different. There is such a great sense of community within wine that you end up making new friends everywhere you go.

HOW INVOLVED DO YOU GET IN THE VINEYARDS?

The Vineyard is the MOST important part of our entire operation. As Mark, our winemaker has engrained in my head, the best wines come from the best vineyards. When we were planning for our new property, I spent months researching different vines and varieties that would work with our portfolio as well as grow well in that specific vineyard site. We do have a vineyard management team, but I constantly run or drive through the vineyard to check on the vines throughout the growing season.

WHAT ARE SOME OF THE MISCONCEPTIONS/PHRASES YOU HEAR FROM PEOPLE REGARDING WINE THAT DRIVE YOU CRAZY?

My favorite thing I used to get in the tasting room is when people would tell me they are related to Jim (my Dad) but have no idea who I was? Anything for a free tasting ;)

WHAT DID YOU WANT TO BE GROWING UP?

I wanted to be a singer, but since I can't hold a tune, I just enjoy listening to all of the talented musicians surrounding us!

WHEN YOU ARE ALL WINE-D OUT, WHAT IS YOUR DRINK OF CHOICE?

Moscow Mule! Especially the mango flavored one that I just had in Hawaii.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TYPE OF MUSIC?

Country – old country and new!

WHAT BRINGS YOU THE GREATEST JOY

My three children, they are 9, 6, and 3.



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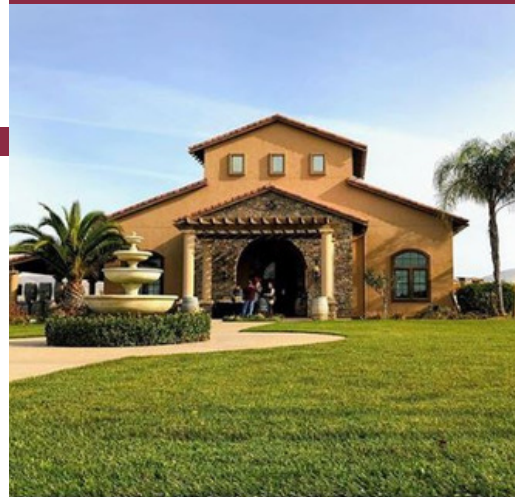
GREAT MEMORIES ARE MADE WITH GOOD WINE & FRIENDS

McGrail Vineyards & Winery prides itself on being in a boutique winery that is centered on family, friends and fellow wine lovers. We focus on creating the finest Cabernet Sauvignon for you to enjoy through our small lot production. Enjoy bocce, award-winning wine, and breathtaking views of the Livermore Valley from our tasting room.

ABOUT

Ascend the rolling hills of the Livermore Valley until you reach McGrail Vineyards, perched atop Greenville Road. This is the ultimate California wine country destination, complete with palm trees, Tuscan-inspired architecture, and unobstructed panoramic views of Mount Diablo and the Livermore Valley. Inside the tasting room, you will find a vibrant and experienced team of McGrail wine fanatics and educators eager to have you taste their award-winning Cabernet Sauvignons, like the Reserve Cab which won the SF Chronicle Red Sweepstakes in 2012.

If uncorking a bottle for a lazy afternoon suits you best, grab a lounge chair on the covered patio and get comfortable amidst the sweeping views of the Valley. If the mood strikes, you can play a game of bocce, or go on an educational tour with the winemaker. Feel like a picnic while sipping? Snag a table on the sprawling front lawn or vineyard patio, or relax in McGrail's exclusive Member Lounge with the Holy McGrail family for a seated tasting. No matter your idea of a perfect day in the Livermore Valley, it can happen at McGrail Vineyards.



TASTING ROOM

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