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WINEMAKER AND PROPRIETOR OF EMBODIED WINES

# WHEN IT COMES TO WINEMAKING, WHAT'S ONE THING YOU KNOW NOW THAT YOU WISH YOU HAD KNOWN BEFORE YOU STARTED?

So much of winemaking is very personal and every decision we make during the process is a direct reflection of who we are, but that doesn't always necessarily translate to the consumer. Everyone has a unique taste and as a winemaker our job is to create a representative wine. It must showcase region and brand but must also be dynamic.

#### WHAT IS YOUR WINEMAKING PHILOSOPHY?

I aim to craft a wine that embodies the process of winemaking, that includes region, weather, grower, vineyard crew, winemaking process, winery team, packaging, experience in the tasting room, and our valued guests who will interpret the end product. Each aspect is equally as important, and a wine should represent that.

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

I enjoy experimenting with pizza and wine. Pizza has so many components that must be considered when selecting a wine.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE VARIETAL OF WINE?

Barbera if I have to choose, but a wine should be selected based on the desired experience. So many elements can alter how a wine is perceived that don't always necessarily have anything to do with the wine. Which is just another reason why wine is so fun.

## WHAT ARE SOME OF THE MISCONCEPTIONS YOU HEAR FROM PEOPLE REGARDING WINE THAT ARE SIMPLY NOT TRUE (OR DRIVE YOU CRAZY)?

As professionals in this industry, it is our duty to also be educators. Everyone is at a different level of knowledge when it comes to wine, we should never consider this as a negative, it is always an opportunity.

#### WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST JOB YOU'VE EVER HAD?

I graduated high school early and went directly into the mortgage industry. I actually enjoyed it, but the market crashed so here I am.

#### WHAT ACTOR/ACTRESS WOULD PLAY YOU IN A MOVIE ABOUT YOUR LIFE?

Christina Ricci, she seems like shed be ok working with falcons, hawks, and spiders.

#### WHAT'S SOMETHING NO ONE KNOWS ABOUT YOU?

No one? That's a tough one, I'm open with people. I'm terrified of spiders yet love them just as much. I really want a tarantula. I hike every year during breeding season to see them.



"I aim to be fluid in winemaking, constantly listening to feedback, constantly learning, and constantly evolving."

- Kimmie Orani-Spears, Embodied Wines



PROUD MEMBER OF THE LIVERMORE VALLEY WINEGROWERS ASSOCIATION

# **EMBODIED WINES**

WHAT FLOCK DO YOU FLY WITH?

Embodied Wines is located in Livermore Valley's own Urban Tasting experience, with several wineries and a brewery within walking distance. Our tasting room offers rustic industrial design, complete with event space and a bayou themed stage. We are committed to providing thoughtful and regionally representative wines in an approachable and upbeat environment. Winemaker Kimmie Orani-Spears is a state licensed falconer and when her Lanner Falcon, Bartleby, isn't protecting the vineyards, you may find him monitoring our tasting room.

### HISTORY

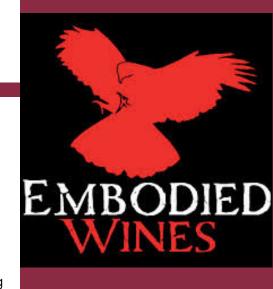
Owners Stephen and Kimmie Spears relocated to Livermore 9 years ago and quickly embraced the local community. Visiting Livermore Valley Wineries they found a region welcoming, approachable; a region that embodies California's diverse history full of culture, hope, and wine.

Embodied Wines will constantly evolve, we aim to listen to our supporters and become a winery that not only embodies the spirit of our region as a grape growing and winemaking area, but also the people and business' that make Livermore unique. We will responsibly represent the source of our fruit and always provide a mindful, thoughtful, and quality wine.

Our Tasting Room is conveniently located in Livermore's Urban Tasting Experience The Block 37, park and visit multiple wineries, a brewery, and a distillery.

### WINES & VINES

We specialize in micro-lots that develop under close supervision with a hands off approach allowing natural evolution; producing varietally expressive wines that embody the region the fruit was grown, the people who carefully managed the vines on which they developed, and everyone who assisted with the delicate transition from fruit to wine.



## TASTING ROOM

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Friday - 12 pm – 7 pm Saturday - 12 pm – 9 pm Sunday - 12 pm – 6 pm

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