



## NIKI WENTE

FIFTH GENERATION WINEMAKER, VITICULTURE, WENTE VINEYARDS

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Most recently joining Wente Family Estates March 2017, daughter to Phil Wente, Niki joined the Viticulture team as a Viticulture Manager. She currently oversees a team of viticulturists in Arroyo Seco and leads them to work towards improving efficiency in the vineyard, vine health and fruit quality, as well as our custom farming vineyard management operations.

Niki graduated from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in June 2014 with a Bachelor's of Science in Wine & Viticulture, a passion she has had since she was young. Throughout her college education, Niki interned three summers at Wente Vineyards (2 summers in Viticulture and 1 summer in Marketing) and one summer at Edna Valley Vineyards as a cellar hand.

Following her graduation, Niki immediately joined the Viticulture team at Wente Vineyards through the 2014 harvest season, lending an extra hand. She then took a job opportunity in San Francisco and later a role in Grower Relations and Viticulture at Huneus Vintners, buying and selling grapes for multiple brands. In addition to Niki's role as Viticulturist, you will also find her rescuing animals from the vineyards. Today, Niki resides in the Livermore Valley with her husband Nick and their dog, Riley.

