



## STEPHANIE COHEN, Winemaker

‘WINE IN THE CONTEXT OF FOOD, travel, and culture, has always played a significant role in Stephanie’s life. At a young age, she was exposed to some of the premier wine growing regions of the world through family trips to California, Italy, and France. These travels fed her curiosity about how grapes are transformed as they go from vine into bottle and thus sparked her interest in the science of wine production.

This curiosity about wine never left her mind as she pursued her degree in Chemical Engineering at the University of Michigan. After graduation she moved to Napa for her first harvest as a lab technician. Her passion for the process of winemaking only grew in the year and a half she spent there before she decided to broaden her experience further. She believed that a successful career in winemaking would require a diverse skillset and a global perspective. This philosophy led her to pursue work from vineyard to cellar at wineries in New Zealand, California, Australia, Oregon, and, finally, Washington State.

Stephanie joined the team at Col Solare in May of 2020, following a year-long stint as Enologist at Columbia Crest. She was promoted to Winemaker in June of 2022, upon the retirement of Darel Allwine. Working with premium grapes from Red Mountain was a major draw for her. “I love the intimate relationship with the vineyard that the estate property provides,” Stephanie says of Col Solare. “The intense focus on quality, from the vineyard to the bottle, that comes with small production is unparalleled.”

Stephanie’s favorite part of the wine industry is the community that accompanies it. “Working around the globe, I have been able to collaborate with incredibly passionate people from diverse backgrounds. What brings us all together is the shared love of creating a product from the land for everyone to enjoy. It’s hard to think of another industry as inclusive as ours”.



As Winemaker for Col Solare, Stephanie is focused on enhancing wine quality while defining ultra-premium Cabernet Sauvignon from Red Mountain.



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