



JOHN HAMEL

Director of Winegrowing

As Director of Winegrowing, John Hamel is committed to producing wines that reflect the character of the terroir. He and his team apply a micro-terroir-based winegrowing approach, adapting vineyard and winemaking practices specifically to the volcanic soils across Hamel's vineyards. John has also led the transition of the vineyards to dry farming and implemented organic and Biodynamic vineyard management practices.

After graduating from the University of Wisconsin–Madison, John came to wine with a passion for organic farming and a deep connection to the philosophies and practices of the Slow Food movement—both of which have influenced his winegrowing approach. John lives in Sonoma with his wife and three children.