



MAURA KINSELLA

Associate Winemaker

Maura Kinsella guides Hamel's refined, low-intervention vinification, aiming to express the nuance of the vineyard's micro-terroir. Her path to winemaking stretches from professional cycling on the U.S. National Team—where racing vineyard-lined roads sparked her curiosity—to hands-on harvest work in New Zealand, followed by graduate studies in Viticulture and Enology at the University of Bordeaux. There, she honed her craft at Château Palmer and J.P. Moueix, and later with Emiliana Organic Vineyards in Chile.

Before joining Hamel in 2020, Maura worked at Eisele Vineyard in Napa Valley. With a science-rooted mindset and a Biodynamic ethos influenced by her time in France, she combines precision and patience in the cellar. Maura lives in Sonoma with her husband and young daughter.