



TAGARIS

VINEYARD TO BOTTLE



The second largest grower and producer of wines after the fabulous wines of the State of California, many refer to the wines of Washington State as the “best kept secret” in the wine business in America.

The vineyard sites of Tagaris are considered by experts to be the prime locations in the State of Washington for the production of premium wines. These perfect sites, combined with long years of expertise in the farming of vinifera grapes and production of wines, have been my privilege to shepherd over my tenure with Tagaris.

Well positioned to stay at the forefront of this rapid growth, Tagaris is set for expansion into the international markets of the premium wine business, and we look forward with great enthusiasm to making your personal acquaintance!

Best,

*Penny Morgan*

President

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## UNIQUE STORIES, UNIQUE WINES

Superior vineyard location, soil composition, own-vined vineyards, and highly dedicated, experienced farming and winemaking teams render high quality wines.

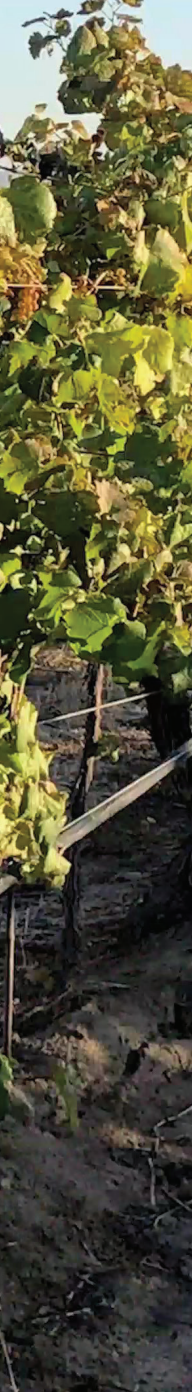




# WHO WE ARE

ORGANIC  
FARM





## GRAPE TO BOTTLE WINEMAKING CAPABILITIES

We are farmers and winemakers with annual production of **1,300,000 gallons** (4,900,000 Litres) of wine per year.

We grow **28 varieties** of **own-vined**, high elevation vinifera grapes on **2,500 acres of prime vineyard** and tree fruit land in the esteemed Wahluke Slope<sup>1</sup> Accredited Viticulture Area tucked along the mighty Columbia River in the southeasterly corner of Washington State, USA.

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*1 Wahluke Slope AVA is a 80,490 acre region that has one of the driest, warmest climates in the state, allowing nearly complete control of vine vigor and ripening. The appellation was created by the Great Missoula Floods that exploded through ice dams thousands of years ago, ripping land and rocks from their paths during the final stages of the last ice age.*

## VINIFERA IN FIGURES

Vineyards Cultivated	750 acres
Total Storage Capacity	1,300,000 gallons
Quantity of Grapes Processed	4,000 tons
Employees	400

## WSDA CERTIFIED ORGANIC & CONVENTIONAL PRODUCTION

We are certified organic by the Washington State Department of Agriculture in our vineyards and in our processing facility.



## GLOBAL G.A.P.

In addition to the WSDA certifications, our locations are Global GAP certified as well. Global GAP is an internationally recognized set of farming standards dedicated to Good Agricultural Practices. Through certification, producers demonstrate their adherence to Global GAP standards worldwide. GAP is now the world's most widely implemented farm certification system.



## GLYPHOSATE RESIDUE FREE

Glyphosate Residue Free certification verifies that our wines do not contain the world's most used herbicide, widely known as Roundup. To be certified, our grapes must have no glyphosate residues down to government-recognized limits of detection, as well as lower levels than default government Maximum Residue Limits in the European Union and Japan.









## **ARETE VINEYARD – ESTABLISHED 1983**

**200 Acres, Wahluke Slope AVA**

**Honoring the Family Heritage, “Arete” is the Greek word meaning “All things good.”**

This vineyard has both North and South facing slopes ideal for the growing Gewürztraminer, Mueller Thurgau, White Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay and Chenin Blanc. The South slope grows Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and four clones of Pinot Noir.

*Latitude: 46° N (similar to Bordeaux Region of France, which is 45° N)*

## **WALKER VINEYARD – ESTABLISHED 2016**

**16 Acres, Wahluke Slope AVA**

**Named in Honor of the Owner’s Son**

This small vineyard is home to Clone 33 Cavernet Sauvignon and is highly sought by local winemakers.

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## **KENNEDY VINEYARD – ESTABLISHED 2017**

**30 Acres, Wahluke Slope AVA**

**Named in Honor of the Owner’s Daughter**

Kennedy Vineyard houses Clones 8 and 21 Cabernet Sauvignon, allowing for varying times of maturity.

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## MICHAEL VINEYARD – ESTABLISHED 2008

200 Acres, Wahluke Slope AVA

**Named in Honor of the Founder and Owner**

This vineyard lies at 900' elevation and slopes South to the mighty Columbia River. Conventional and Organic Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenere, Cabernet Franc, Muscat Canelli, Cinsault, Barbera, Sangiovese, Merlot, Petit Syrah, Nebbiolo are all grown here.

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## ALICE VINEYARD – ESTABLISHED 2004

300 Acres, Wahluke Slope AVA

**Named in Honor of the Owner's Mother**

This high altitude vineyard (1000' to 1350') enjoys sloping changes and spans one mile in width. Conventional and Organic Syrah, Merlot, and Cabernet Sauvignon, as well as Mourvedre, Petit Verdot, Counoise, Malbec, and Pinot Gris.

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## LEE PALOMO VINEYARD – ESTABLISHED 2005

5 Acres, Wahluke Slope AVA

**Named in Honor of the Owner's Ranch Dog Companion**

Lee Palomo lies on the owner's former airplane runway. Narrow in width, long in flavor. Cabernet Sauvignon, Grenache, Grenache Noir, Malbec, and Tempranillo.

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# WINE REGION - COLUMBIA VALLEY & WAHLUKE SLOPE







# OUR PEOPLE



## MICHAEL TAGGARES - OWNER

Michael Taggares founded Tagaris Winery in 1987. The winery honors the proper Greek spelling of the family name whose members descended from the Greek royal family and first began growing wine grapes in the 15th century. Tagaris winery is the modern day result of three generations of grape growers in Washington's Columbia Valley, where the climate and soil reminded Michael's grandfather of his Greek homeland.



## ELISEO SILVA

### VINEYARD MANAGER

Our brand's namesake, and clearly the man with the green thumb and golden shears, Eliseo "Lee" Silva arrived in Washington State from Mexico at the age of 14—the second youngest of 20 children. Lee, through perseverance and diligence, has risen to become the **Vineyard Manager for the Vineyards of Tagaris Winery**—over 750 acres of vineyards in the Wahluke Slope and Columbia Valley appellations with the distinction of producing some of the most highly sought-after fruit in the state. Lee's success is most certainly a result of his intelligence, dedication, and hard work, not to mention the fact that he's a darn nice guy!





## FRANK ROTH

### WINEMAKER

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Frank Roth started winemaking right out of school at the age of 16 years old. He was a cellar rat for Harry McWatters at Sumac Ridge Estate Winery in Summerland, British Columbia, Canada and Hawthorne Mountain Vineyards in Okanogan Falls BC. He was asked to become the Cellar Master for Rob Griffin of Barnard Griffin winery in Richland, WA. USA, where he worked for 10 years before he was hired at Tagaris, where he has been crafting beautiful wines since 2005. His goal is to “become the premiere authority for making wine using as little oak as possible so the vibrant fruit flavors of the wine are predominant.” He has 20 years of winemaking experience under his belt, and is considered one of the young guns of the USA winemaking scene.





# THE BOTTLING LINE AT TAGARIS

## The Equipment

### **GAI 5005 TOP BOTTLING LINE – 2008**

- 20 Head Bottle Blower/Rinser
  - 4 Head Sparger
  - 24 Head Filler
  - 4 Head Leveler
  - 4 Head Corker
- 95 Bottles per Minute Production

### **AROL MODEL EURO VPA SCREW CAPPER**

### **GAI 4608 FOILER**

### **KOSME LABELER**

## Filtration

.5 micron pre filter, .45 micron absolute final filter

## Warehousing

Temperature controlled, Storage on pallets





**OUR WINERY**

## BULK WINES

Barbara

Cabernet Franc

Cabernet Sauvignon 

Carmenere

Chardonnay 

Malbec

Mourvedre

Petit Sirah

Petit Verdot

Pinot Gris

Pinot Noir

Merlot 


Reserve Cabernet  
Sauvignon

Reserve Merlot

Riesling 

Rose

Sauvignon Blanc 

Syrah 

Tempranillo

 indicates wines available in Certified Organic

## AVAILABLE AS

Certified Organic

Made with Organic Grapes

Conventional

Glyphosate Residue Free

Bag in Box

Bottled

Canned



MERLOT

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Our King Fuji Ranch's Merlot block at 1425' in Wahluke Slope AVA



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