

Joe Shebl - Director of Winemaking

Joe joined Renwood in July of 2013, returning to the winery where he began his career 15 years earlier. Joe came onto the Amador County winemaking scene in 1999 after completing his degree in Biology and Chemistry at Sacramento State University.

He has become one of the most sought after winemakers in the region, further expanded with the honor of being selected by Wine Enthusiast magazine as one of America's Top 40 Under 40 highlighting America's leaders in the beverage culture. He has worked for a number of renowned Amador County wineries where he honed his skills and cultivated a reputation as an innovative winemaker whose passion and enthusiasm is contagious.



"Zinfandel can be delicate and graceful or a big monster of a wine," Shebl said. "I try to balance those two with finesse and fresh vibrant fruit." Joe's ability to combine the science of winemaking with the art has made him an expert in producing Zinfandel wines acclaimed for their powerful fruit, opulence, judicious use of new French oak, and silky smooth mouthfeel.

Joe serves on the Board of Directors for the Amador Vintners Association where he has worked to develop greater recognition for the areas' wines, and the region as a wine destination.

"My approach has always been to let the vineyard do the 'work' and we shepherd the grapes through careful irrigation and canopy management, research and experience, and understanding of how each vineyard block 'speaks.' Fortunately, at Renwood, we've been able to handcraft great wines using this as our constant guide."









