

Gold Medal Wine Club

THE ROAD TO GREAT WINES BEGINS AT YOUR DOOR



Lewis Cellars

From NASCAR racing to the illustrious vineyards of California's Napa Valley, passion has always been the driving force for Randy Lewis.



With a rich history and reputation for superior quality, Lewis Cellars is one of the darlings of Napa Valley, crafting some of the region's most consistently highly-rated, luxurious wines since 1992.

Randy Lewis didn't always plan on becoming a winery owner though - in fact, his background is a rather exciting one and a story worth sharing. At one point, the Atlanta native studied to become a doctor, but before completing his studies, the wanderlust of the professional racecar circuit beckoned to him and Randy jumped into the world of racecars on a full-time basis.

For more than 23 years, Randy raced a varied number of cars on both international and national circuits that included Formula 3, Can Am, and Indy Car racing, where he qualified for the Indy 500 on four occasions with a best finish of 13th on his record. He also got in on the emerging NASCAR scene before finally retiring in the early 1990's. It was time Randy focused on something else he truly loved, and that 'something else' was the winery business that he and his wife Debbie had fallen for in a major way.

Debbie, who sadly passed away in 2017, had deep roots in the wine industry starting with a long-term family-owned ranch in the Sacramento River Delta area to actual working relationships with the wine wholesale and retail business. Randy, on the other hand, had delved into the European wine regions while racing in Europe and always considered the wine industry to be fascinating. When an opportunity came in 1989 to help a friend who had recently acquired an existing winery property in Napa Valley, it ultimately became their entry into the winery business as well.

The Lewis' immediately began buying fruit to make wines of their own and by 1992, the first 2,000 cases of Lewis Cellars were released to the public. Randy has since expanded with additional long-term contracts and new vineyard plantings that have increased the winery's total production to around 10,000 cases. The focus was, and still remains, on premium Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay.

Randy is also joined by Debbie's son, Dennis Bell, who oversees all sales and marketing aspects of the company, and winemaker James McCeney (formerly of Donum, Dutton Goldfield, Patz & Hall, and Acacia), whose incredible talent and experience has cemented the quality aspects of the family-owned winery.

Now thirty years since its inaugural release, Lewis Cellars is spoken of in the rarefied air of Napa Valley's top wineries with a record of excellence that few California wineries can rival.



Lewis 2020 Chardonnay
Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley, California

Seemingly fresh from the Garden of Eden but actually soured from the Oak Knoll district of Napa Valley, the Lewis 2020 Chardonnay is luscious and laden with forbidden fruit. On the nose, nuances of Honeycrisp cinnamon apple, spiced pears, shortbread, and tree blossoms beautifully intermingle with hints of nutmeg and toast, while the full-bodied and layered palate offers excellent concentration and length with lingering notes of praline and warm toast. The finish is long and sinfully silky. 100% Chardonnay. Enjoy!

Alcohol 14.7%

Aged 11 months in French Oak

Cases Produced 1,500

93 POINTS

– James Suckling



Food Pairing:

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