

CORPORATE CLASSES & EVENTS

Bay Grape is a bottle shop and wine bar owned and operated by Josiah Baldivino and Stevie Stacionis: a young husband-and-wife Sommelier team with a passion for sharing their love of wine and community in a fun and approachable way.

In addition to operating the shop, we offer an array of wine classes, team building opportunities and experiences. We have a variety of spaces for classes and experiences at both the Napa and Oakland shops. We can also travel to your location, office or hotel.

BAY GRAPE



www.baygrapewine.com



Popular Classes



Wine 101

This class is perfect for a group meeting in Wine Country with attendees who are curious about wine and excited to develop a greater appreciation. Guests will learn about how wine is made, popular wine varieties and styles, and how to select, “taste” and serve wine. Plus, they’ll walk away with the knowledge and confidence to explore the fun world of wine and make the most of their time in Wine Country!



Blind Tasting

This class is ideal for a group seeking a team-building experience. Guests will blind taste wines without knowing what they are while getting to learn wine tasting vocabulary and how to describe what they like in a wine so they can order wines with confidence. Plus, they’ll get to put their heads together and their skills to the test to guess about what was poured before each wine is revealed!



Grape or Regional Class

This class is great for groups looking to dive a little deeper into a favorite local or global grape or region. Guests will learn how wines made from the same variety can taste so different when grown in different areas of the world, or they can take a closer look at a specific wine or region's history, characteristics and pairing suggestions. Your group can pick any grape or region to learn more about!

About Stevie & Josiah

Josiah Baldivino

Josiah began his beverage career behind the bar while studying for his Bachelor’s degree in Business at Cal State University Northridge. Upon graduation, Josiah took his wine studies to New York City, where he worked as a sommelier for the world-renowned Daniel Boulud group while he advanced through the Court of Master Sommeliers.

In 2011, Josiah moved to the Bay Area, received his Advanced Sommelier Certification and was named one of Wine & Spirits Best New Sommeliers. As lead sommelier at Michael Mina restaurant in San Francisco, Josiah received national acclaim in publications such as *Wine Spectator*, *Wine & Spirits* and *Wine Enthusiast* for the wine program he managed.

Stevie Stacionis

Stevie paid her way through the University of Southern California through years of serving in restaurants in Minneapolis, Los Angeles and New York City. After graduating magna cum laude with a Bachelor’s degree in Communication, Stevie traded her apron for a laptop and a career in food, wine and travel writing.

She has an addictive passion for wine and has been teaching and communicating about it for such luminaries as New York City’s Alphabet City Wine Co., Crush Wine & Spirits, Corkbuzz Wine Studio, and the Guild of Sommeliers. Stevie is a Certified Sommelier and founder of the Bâtonnage Forum addressing issues faced by women in the wine industry.

We also love collaborating with our clients to create bespoke experiences that are unique and perfect for your attendees.