



The Ram's Gate Founders

Ram's Gate Winery opened in the fall of 2011, founded by four friends with a shared love of wine, hospitality and design. The Ram's Gate ownership team is led by Managing Owner Michael John, a San Francisco private equity investor and wine collector, with strong ties to the wine industry in addition to being active in environmental improvement efforts; Jeff O'Neill, the owner of O'Neill Vintners and former Chair of the Wine Institute, Paul Violich, a well-known Northern California investor and agri-business leader specializing in walnut and almond plantings; and Peter Mullin, a businessman and passionate wine grower who owns a 15-acre estate in Umbria, Italy, where he grows Sagrantino and Sangiovese grapes. Ram's Gate Winery is the realization of their shared passion for fine wine and commitment to land stewardship.