

# DARMS LANE

*Napa Valley*



## **Marisa Taylor** **Darms Lane Winemaker**

Marisa Taylor brings both scientific precision and artistic sensitivity to her role as winemaker at Darms Lane. A native of wine country, Marisa's journey in winemaking began with a Chemistry degree from UC Davis, which she followed with a Master's in Food Science, specializing in Enology. This foundation of technical expertise, combined with her hands-on experience in some of Napa Valley's most respected cellars, has shaped her thoughtful approach to winemaking.

Before joining Darms Lane, Marisa served as Head Winemaker and General Manager at Rutherford Hill Winery, where she crafted an impressive portfolio of wines while working alongside renowned consultant Michel Rolland. Her experience managing both boutique programs and larger-scale production has given her a unique perspective on maintaining quality and consistency while respecting each vineyard's distinct character.

When asked about her winemaking philosophy, Marisa emphasizes the importance of both science and artistry. "Understanding the technical aspects of winemaking is crucial, but equally important is recognizing and preserving the unique story each vineyard tells through its fruit," she explains. Her commitment to sustainable practices and vineyard expression aligns perfectly with Darms Lane's dedication to creating wines that reflect their distinctive terroir.

Her expertise in crafting everything from elegant Chardonnays to complex Cabernet Sauvignons makes her the ideal steward for both our estate wines and our Fortune 1621 program.

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