



# AIRFIELD

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## TRAVIS MAPLE

### WINEMAKER



Travis Maple discovered his passion for winemaking at the early age of 19 when he began his career with Chateau Ste. Michelle. He was captivated by the artistry and science of transforming grapes into wine—a process that requires dedication, patience, and precision. Inspired to deepen his knowledge, he earned a degree in Viticulture and Enology from Washington State University Tri-Cities.

In 2004, Travis met John Bookwalter, a highly regarded mentor who played a pivotal role in shaping his career. Under John's guidance, Travis honed his skills and advanced to the role of Assistant Winemaker during his 11 years with Bookwalter Wines.

After briefly stepping away from the wine industry to explore crafting hard apple cider, Travis realized his true calling was winemaking. This led him to Walla Walla, where he managed a custom crush facility, further expanding his expertise.

In 2017, Travis joined Airfield Estates as Assistant Winemaker, fully embracing the winery's rich heritage of estate-grown wines and its focus on quality. His exceptional talent, leadership, and meticulous attention to detail quickly became apparent, earning him the promotion to Winemaker in 2019.

Since stepping into the role, Travis has been instrumental in shaping the winery's signature style, creating wines that reflect the unique terroir of the estate vineyard and the legacy of four generations of farming. He has introduced innovative techniques that enhance the expression of each vintage while maintaining a deep respect for tradition. Travis is also deeply involved in every aspect of production, from vine to bottle, ensuring that Airfield Estates' wines consistently exceed expectations.

Under Travis's leadership, Airfield Estates has continued to earn acclaim for its exceptional wines, strengthening our reputation as one of Washington State's premier wineries. Travis's passion for winemaking and unwavering dedication to crafting world-class wines make him a vital part of the Airfield Estates story.