

Purisima Ridge Vineyard and Orchard Assistant Manager

Located in the Santa Cruz mountains near Corralitos, Purisima Ridge Vineyards is seeking a Vineyard and Orchard Assistant Manager to play a key role in farming our approximately 60 acres of organic and biodynamic grapes and apples. The production is primarily for brandy but we also produce a small amount of still wine. Part of a historic 1874 land grant, we are committed to preserving the legacy of our property and stewarding the raw material for the production of wine and spirits of distinction and excellence.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in viticulture, enology, agricultural production, biological science, or related fields and/or prior vineyard/orchard/agriculture experience
- Understanding of Integrated Pest Management, precision agriculture, organic practices, and familiarity with biodynamic preparations
- English fluency, bilingual Spanish preferred
- Working knowledge of SMS and ArcGIS strongly preferred
- Tractor and implement operation and experience strongly preferred
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Office, especially Excel
- Ability to lift 50lbs without assistance
- Able to work outside for long/flexible hours, weekends/holidays, especially during harvest
- Must be able to lead a skilled vineyard crew
- QAL/PCA license or the ability to obtain
- Valid driver's license and clean record
- Demonstrated commitment to the highest standards of quality

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Carry out/oversee all day-to-day vineyard and orchard operations
- Program and operate Spatial Management Systems (precision Ag)
- Operate, and maintain equipment including tractors, implements, trucks, ATVs, etc
- Schedule, orchestrate, and initiate farm tasks efficiently and on time
- Ensure supervisors and crew are trained in proper work function, safety, and compliance
- Upkeep of vineyard, orchard, and winery cleanliness
- Maintain all administrative records necessary including certifications, farm plan, and cost estimates
- Comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations

Compensation commensurate with skills & experience.

Compensation Details:

- Competitive Salary \$55,000 – 65,000+ (Level based on Skills & Experience)
- Full-time position, with seasonal overtime required in peak periods, such as harvest
- Paid vacation
- Full Medical and Dental benefits – 100% of premiums are company paid
- Incentive program includes annual cash bonus as well as potentially profit-sharing
- Major opportunity for career advancement and compensation growth

Please submit resume and cover letter outlining experience and qualifications to:
PurisimaRidgeHires at gmail dot com // In your cover letter, please explicitly discuss your tractor experience and experience with hydraulic equipment, as well as Precision Ag and GIS.

We look forward to hearing from you!