

andrew lane
NOUVEAU
SUISUN VALLEY GAMAY NOIR

A Whole NOU Tradition

As Beaujolais marketers faithfully remind us each November, it's time to celebrate the end of another harvest and welcome the holiday season. However, it's the local **California** harvest we choose to honor at Andrew Lane. It's Thanksgiving turkey, football, American wine. Join the festivity as restaurants and retailers throughout California and across the country toast the occasion with Andrew Lane Nouveau.

Winemaking

Andrew Lane Nouveau is picked mid-September before the sun rises. Half-ton bins are hauled to Healdsburg where the grapes are loaded by hand into temperature-controlled tanks and fermented whole cluster. As carbon dioxide begins to suffocate the grapes, carbonic maceration occurs—causing juice to ferment inside the berry. Pressure builds and the berries explode. This winemaking style produces aromatic wines with minimal tannin and consistent drinkability. The sugars from the juice are released slowly and delicately over several days allowing for a long, cool fermentation with minimal extraction. Nouveau wines are a celebration of harvest, traditionally offering the first public tasting of a vintage. **Andrew Lane Nouveau is released a mere 6 weeks after harvest.**

The Vineyard

Carty Ranch

Suisun Valley AVA

¼ mile from the Napa County Line in Solano County
20 mi. west of Wild Horse Valley (Napa County AVA)

Tasting Notes

Bursting with Bing cherries, strawberries and raspberries. Of the earth, delicate and balanced with crisp acidity and explosive aromatics... like a perfectly ripe fruit salad.

Production Andrew Lane produces 10 tons of Gamay Noir for our Nouveau program (about 500 cases)

About Andrew Lane Wines

Andrew Lane is a small family winery that began in St. Helena, California in 1978. Founded by David Dickson and named for his two sons, Andrew and Lane, we have enjoyed a reputation for limited production wines of exceptional quality for over three decades. Drawing fruit from a select few of Napa Valley's finest vineyards—as well as impeccably farmed sites in Sonoma, Mendocino and Suisun Valley—we specialize in Oakville hillside Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Gamay Noir and Gamay Nouveau. With our move to Emeryville in 2005, the Dickson family now celebrates the progressive nature of the urban wine experience as a proud member of the thriving East Bay Vintners Alliance.



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To make your Andrew Lane Nouveau event or promotion a hit, we offer posters, flyers, t-shirts and a host of other sales collateral, in addition to a link on our Harvest Blog at CaliforniaNouveau.com. A popular holiday topic, our Nouveau events have also been featured in local and national media, including *The Wall Street Journal* and *Food & Wine Magazine*. Don't miss out!