



# Brutocao

FAMILY VINEYARDS

## *A Tale of Two Families*

Brutocao Family Vineyards is a tale of two families who combined their passion and expertise to establish one of Mendocino County's most notable wineries. In 1910, the Brutocao family (pronounced brew' tuh coe) brought with them a love for wine when they emigrated from Treviso, Italy, a small town near Venice.

Len Brutocao met Martha Bliss while in school at the University of California, Berkeley. Martha's father, Irv, had been farming in Mendocino since 1943. After Len and Martha married, the families joined forces and continued to sell their grapes to well-known Sonoma and Napa wineries for many years before starting to make their own wine in 1980. They selected the Lion from St. Mark's Cathedral in Venice as their symbol of family tradition and quality. The heart of that quality is in their land: over 350 acres of planted vineyards in southern Mendocino County and 10.5 acres of Pinot Noir in Anderson Valley.



Today Brutocao Family Vineyards is run by three of Len and Martha's sons, Steve, Len, and David. Fourth generation family members Kevin & Ryan are also heavily involved.



**Steve Brutocao**, *President*, oversees Sales & Marketing, as well as management between Vineyards, Winery, and Sales, which includes Direct to Consumer sales and National and international distribution sales.

**Len Brutocao Jr.**, *Director of Vineyard Operations*, oversees the entire 350+ acre vineyard operation. This includes a major role in leading our sustainability program and developing vineyard programs with the winemaking team in our ongoing effort to produce the highest quality Estate wines.

**David Brutocao**, *Director of Winemaking Operations*, works directly with our winemaker in development of all wines in the Brutocao portfolio. David is in charge of purchasing winery supplies from corks to labels, as well as management of all activities in the winery.

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