

Raymond

NAPA VALLEY

Raymond Vineyards is a member of the Napa Sustainable Winegrowing Group. We are stewards of the land and practice a variety of sustainable measures both in our vineyards and in our winery facility along with an extensive recycling program.

We follow these sustainable farming practices:

- Use cover crops on hillside locations for erosion control, to dry out wet soil areas, to add nitrogen to certain blocks, and to provide a habitat for beneficial insects. Some blocks are native plants and some are not.
- Installed raptor boxes to help control ground squirrel populations. Oak trees have been planted on the perimeter of some blocks for the same purpose.
- Drip irrigation to conserve water. Irrigation recommendations come from a local expert who monitors soil moisture with a neutron probe and visually evaluates shoot growth.
- We primarily use under vine cultivation as well as flaming and shovel for weed control in the vineyards.
- Starting to experiment with beneficial insects in the vineyards.
- Shop lights have been converted to new high efficiency units.
- Installed a large catch basin at the lowest point of our St. Helena property to collect eroded soil for redistribution in the vineyard.
- We compost all stems, leaves and pumice.



Sustainability and Recycling Within the Winery:

- Extensive recycling program within the winery: all glass, paper, cardboard, tin and plastics are recycled
- Use up to 80% recycled tissue paper in our tasting room gift bags, recycled paper products in our office and in our restrooms
- Use recycled paper products for sales materials and wine club brochures along with soy based inks, when possible
- We use high efficiency light bulbs throughout the winery and have installed motion detectors on outdoor light sources to further conserve energy
- We use re-chargeable batteries in all battery operated office equipment
- The glass used for our wines contains approximately 50-60% recycled glass, per our manufacturer's standards, except for the clear glass used for Sauvignon Blanc.