## Women in wine LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

Started in 2012, Winebow Imports' Women in Wine Leadership Symposium is a forum to discuss the experiences, opportunities, and challenges women face, and how we can build a more diverse, inclusive, and successful industry for everyone. For more information about the event, please visit womenwineleaders.com.

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Catherine Scott

Allan Scott

Marlborough, New Zealand

Catherine is one of a small number of Marlborough winemakers who was born in the region. She grew up on a farm, where her family had been for generations. With her eye for detail and keen palate, she plays a guiding role in the winemaking. Catherine also takes personal responsibility for The Cellar Door and the Twelve Trees Restaurant at the winery.



Elisabetta Gnudi Angelini Altesino Tuscany, Italy

Elisabetta acquired her first winery in the Chianti Classico region in 1997 and a few years later, a long-standing property in Montalcino. In 2002, her growing appreciation of the Montalcino region led to the purchase and renovation of Altesino, which is now considered one of the top producers of Brunello in Tuscany. "My passion for wine drives everything: each year's vintage must be even more perfect than the one before."



Valentina Argiolas
Argiolas
Sardinia, Italy

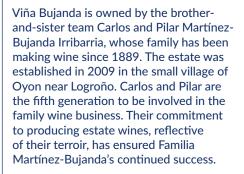
Pioneers in innovative winemaking and the revival of native Sardinian grapes, Valentina and her family produce outstanding wines that reflect the unique landscape and ancient traditions of their island. She is is part of the third generation to run Argiolas, together with her cousin Antonio and sister Francesca.







Pilar Martínez-Bujanda Irribarria Viña Bujanda Rioja, Spain





Janice McDonald

Burch Family Wines

Western Australia, Australia

Janice is the Chief Winemaker at Burch Family Wines, the largest family owned winery in Western Australia with vineyard holdings and wineries in the Great Southern and Margaret River. They crush 4,000 tons of premium to super premium grapes for the brands of Howard Park and MadFish.



Laura Catena Catena Zapata Mendoza, Argentina

A fourth-generation vintner, physician, and author, Laura Catena is the managing director of Catena Zapata. She graduated from Harvard University with a degree in biology and received her M.D. from Stanford University. In 1995, she founded the Catena Institute of Wine with the mission to elevate Argentine wine through vineyard study and research. Laura continues to further her family's mission with passion projects, including Domaine Nico, a collection of high-altitude Pinot Noir, and La Marchigiana, a natural wine range.



**Belén lácono** *Catena Zapata*Mendoza, Argentina

Belén began working with the Catena family in 2005. She currently oversees the family's vineyards located in Tupungato, including Adrianna Vineyard, the most studied and awarded vineyard in South America. A fierce advocate of the expression of terroir in wines, Belén meticulously studies each parcel to make wines of place that are able to age. She is also part of the winery's sustainability team, and is responsible for their certifications.



Alice, Sandra and Andrea Tavares *Quinta de Chocapalha*Lisboa, Portugal

With vineyards dating back to the 16th century, the Tavares da Silva family has embarked on a restoration program, replanting and regrafting vines with indigenous and international varieties. This effort has paid off, as Quinta de Chocapalha produces wines that boast traditional minerality and elegance, while remaining fresh and fruit forward. Andrea handles marketing and sales, Alice is the manager of wine tourism, and Sandra is the chief winemaker at Chocapalha.



Maria Iris Bertarelli ColleMassari Wine Estates Tuscany, Italy

Maria Iris Bertarelli and her brother, Claudio Tipa, run the ColleMassari Wine Estates, a family-owned collection of four iconic properties from Tuscany. They acquired Castello ColleMassari in 1998 and expanded their holdings over several years to include three additional properties— Grattamacco in Bolgheri, Poggio di Sotto in Montalcino, and Tenuta San Giorgio in Montalcino.







Veronica Cousiño Cousiño-Macul Maipo Valley, Chile

Founded in 1856, Cousiño-Macul is the only 19th century winery in Chile that remains in the hands of the original founding family. Veronica leads the seventh generation, dedicated to preserving Cousiño-Macul's mission: to produce world-class wines that are unmistakably Chilean and carry the distinctive character of the Maipo Valley.



Adrianna Catena El Enemigo Mendoza, Argentina

A tribute to the era when European immigrants first settled in Argentina, the wines of El Enemigo embrace both new and old world styles. El Enemigo is a joint project between Oxford-educated historian, Adrianna, and winemaker, Alejandro Vigil, whose combined knowledge of the Mendoza region allows them to select ideal vineyard sites yielding quality grapes in their desired style.



Magali Combard Figuière Provence, France

Magali's father, Alain Combard, founded the winery in 1992 after discovering its unique terroir in La Londe, a subappellation of the Côtes-de-Provence. Today, Magali runs the commercial side of the business while her brother, Francois, is the head winemaker. She is a tireless globetrotter who loves learning about the world and people, and is always on the look-out for trends and new marketing ideas.



Marie-Josèphe Gagnard

Domaine Gagnard-Delagrange

Burgundy, France

Marie-Josèphe created Domaine Gagnard-Delagrange with her husband Jacques Gagnard in 1959. After Jacques passed in 2009, the domaine retained 7.4 acres of vineyards that Marie-Josèphe continues to run with the help of her grandson Marc-Antonin Blain. She tends to two small parcels herself: Chassagne Village and a small vineyard of Passetoutgrain called Les Farges. and terroir expression of La Londe.



Heike Heinrich Heinrich Burgenland, Austria

As a leading red wine producer, Heike and her husband Gernot are dedicated to producing the best expressions from the classic varieties of Austria, such as Zweigelt, St. Laurent, and Blaufränkisch. The Heinrichs practice biodynamic viticulture and have decreased their use of new wood in recent years to produce wines that are complex, yet delicate and true to the variety and terroir.



**Prue Henschke** *Henschke*Eden Valley, Australia

Viticulturist Prue and her husband, fifthgeneration winemaker Stephen, are the current custodians of the Henschke winery and vineyards, steeped in 150 years of family winemaking history in Barossa's Eden Valley. Prue's philosophy is a holistic one—"to ensure our created environment sits in a healthy balance with our natural landscape. I would like to see the next generation inherit a fertile and sustainable land."





Anne-Sophie and Caroline Brochard

Domaine Hubert Brochard

Loire Valley, France





Mathilde Grivot

Domaine Jean Grivot

Burgundy, France

Domaine Jean Grivot is among the great names in Burgundian wine. Mathilde is the daughter of the estate owners Étienne and Marielle Grivot, and recently took over winemaking duties from her father. Today, the family's vineyards are densely planted and farmed organically "sans certification," while the aim in the cellar is for balance and clear expression of terroir.



Donzilia Copeto

João Portugal Ramos Family Estates

Beiras, Alentejo, Vinho Verde, Douro,

Portugal

Donzilia successfully completed her post-graduate in oenology from Évora University following a degree in agricultural, food and engineering industries from Instituto Politécnico de Beja. In 1996 she started working for João Portugal Ramos Family Estates and in 1999 she became a winemaker for their property in Alentejo, as well as production, quality and food safety manager.



Maria Luisa Manna KRIS Alto Adige, Italy

Maria is the "heart" of KRIS, which produces wines in the Alto Adige region of northern Italy, where German and Italian cultures and heritage meet. She started KRIS together with her husband, seventh-generation winemaker Franz Haas. The bold, expressive style of their popular Pinot Grigio is a direct reflection of her personality and aesthetic.



Alexandra Marnier Lapostolle

Lapostolle

Apalta Valley, Chile

Alexandra envisioned Chile's enormous potential to produce fine wines from its exceptional terroir in Apalta, where she founded Lapostolle, and a few years later in 1997, Clos Apalta. Under Alexandra's dedicated vision, Lapostolle has been a pioneer in Chile, and today the winery continues to elevate the region through the production of premium quality wines with a strong emphasis on eco-minded sustainability.



Alicia Lini Lini 910 Emilia Romagna, Italy

Alicia Lini is the fourth generation to lead Lini, and is closely involved in everything at the winery, from winemaking to marketing to exports. Her family has been making lambruscos since 1910 and they are dedicated to making Lambrusco with integrity—holding their wines for longer than the industry standard in order to fully allow the bubbles to incorporate into the wine. Lini's wines are renowned for their signature freshness and classic dry character.







**Andrea León** *Lapostolle*Apalta Valley, Chile



Anne Moreau

Domaine Louis Moreau

Burgundy, France



Julia Gazaniol
Château de Parenchère
Bordeaux, France

Andrea is Lapostolle's winemaker and technical director. After receiving her enology degree from the University of Santiago, she worked in in numerous wine regions in Europe, New Zealand, and the United States. She then returned to Chile, joining the Lapostolle team in 2005 as the on-site winemaker for Clos Apalta, which is considered one of the country's finest wines. She is now in charge of winemaking across the entire Lapostolle range, and resides near the winery in the heart of Chile's Colchagua Valley, along with her husband and their two sons.

Since September 1994, Anne has been responsible for Domaine Louis Moreau's public relations and has spearheaded the winery's expansion into export markets such as Norway, Sweden, Italy, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, USA, India and Brazil. Today, she serves as the winery's Sales and Communications Manager. She has been married to Louis since 1995 and they have two daughters.

Julia's grandfather founded the winery, which is situated at the easternmost edge of the Bordeaux appellation, next to Bergerac. He eventually passed down responsibilities to her father. After her studies, Julia joined her father in helping run the estate, and now oversees many aspects of the business. As commercial manager, she is responsible for sales management and distribution in 30 countries.



**Ilse Bodenstein Prager**Wachau, Austria



Theresa Pichler Rudi Pichler Wachau, Austria



Carla Prospero and Nadia Zenato
Sansonina
Veneto, Italy

When Ilse married Toni Bodenstein, the two ushered in a profound change, not only at the Prager winery that Isle inherited from her father, but throughout the Wachau. By focusing on specific sites within certain vineyards, the Bodensteins produce exceptional wines that are truly unique to their terroirs and coveted throughout the world.

Theresa Pichler is the daughter of Rudi Pichler, one of the elite growers of the Wachau, producing wines of precision, power, and longevity. She chose to study International Wine Business and has a variety of responsibilities at the winery. From hosting tastings to vineyard management to assistant winemaker, Theresa has a role in almost every aspect of the estate, and hopes to take over from her father one day.

In the mid-1990s, Carla and her daughter Nadia acquired a large 18th century farm in the Sirmione area in Lugana called Sansonina, and set about to produce exceptional red wines in an area known for whites. The name Sansonina belonged to a woman who owned the estate centuries ago, nicknamed "Little Samson" for her strong character.





Valentina, Meri, and Alessandra Tessari
Suavia
Veneto, Italy



Laura Orsi Tasca d'Almerita Sicilia, Italy



Sabine Tiefenbrunner
Tiefenbrunner
Alto Adige, Italy

Working on land that has been in their family since the 1800s, the Tessari sisters are dedicated to creating terroir-specific, quality Soave wines, using only the native Garganega and Trebbiano di Soave varieties. They represent Suavia's new generation, with a focus on meticulous vineyard management that includes crop diversification, manual pruning, and the use of natural products and grass planting to preserve soil vitality. Valentina is the winemaker, while Alessandra and Meri look after the export and domestic markets.

Laura has been Head Enologist at Tasca d'Almerita since June of 2004, and resides at Tenuta Regaleali, storied home of the Tasca d'Almerita family since 1830. She oversees winemaking operations for all of Tasca's five estates, working with a diligent team of agronomists and enologists and collaborating with consulting winemaker, Carlo Ferrini.

Founded in 1848, the Tiefenbrunner Castel Turmhof winery owes its name to the ancient castle known today as the home of the Tiefenbrunner family. Wine grapes have been cultivated in this hamlet amid the awe-inspiring Italian Alps for over 300 years. In 2012, Christof and his wife Sabine took official full control, making them the fifth generation to run the family winery.



Nathalie Tollot Domaine Tollot-Beaut Burgundy, France



Rita Tua and Simena Bisti Tua Rita Tuscany, Italy



Giulia Migliorati Valle Reale Abruzzo, Italy

Nathalie grew up on her family's domaine and is now a fifth-generation vigneronne, running the estate with her two cousins. Tollot-Beaut has become one of the most prestigious in Burgundy, thanks in part to Nathalie. Today, she is responsible for managing the business side of the domaine, handling all hospitality, communication, and marketing efforts.

One of the most celebrated wineries in Tuscany's Maremma since their first vintage in 1992, Tua Rita has achieved cult-like status for its redigaffi, the winery's 100-point Merlot. Rita and her husband Virgilio Bisti are the owners and their daughter Simena, who is one of the directors of the winery, is actively involved in daily operations.

Originally from the small town of Capestrano in Abruzzo, Giulia studied economics and international business at the University LUISS in Rome. She initially worked in the fashion industry, eventually pivoting to wine. In 2012, she returned to her hometown, where she took a position as the export manager for Valle Reale, an organic and biodynamic winery nestled inside one of Italy's most beautiful national parks. Together with owner Leonardo Pizzolo, she oversees the estate's global distribution and sales.







Virginia Willcock Vasse Felix Western Australia, Australia



**Lissi Wieninger** *Wieninger*Vienna, Austria



Sandra Tavares Wine & Soul Douro, Portugal

Since 2006, Virginia has been the chief winemaker at Margaret River's founding wine estate, Vasse Felix, and behind some of the most critically-acclaimed wines in Australia. She has an insatiable curiosity for the role microbiology plays in grapes and in the vineyard, and this has driven the development of her revolutionary winemaking style at the winery.

Located within Vienna's city limits, Weingut Wieninger has championed the revival of the Wiener Gemischter Satz, or field blend. Since 2000, Lissi has helped managed the winery with her husband, Fritz Wieninger. She worked for many years as an interior designer before she channeled her creative energy to tasks at the winery.

Sandra, owner and winemaker of Wine & Soul, started her winemaking journey in 2001, with the goal of creating wines that showcase the traditional varieties of Portugal's Douro Valley. She has since achieved international acclaim for her wines. Sandra is a highly talented oenologist, considered by many to define the new Douro generation.



Louisa Rose

Yalumba and Hill-Smith Family Vineyards
South Australia and Tasmania, Australia



Heather Fraser Yalumba and Hill-Smith Family Vineyards South Australia, Australia



Nadia Zenato Zenato Veneto, Italy

During her 25-year career at Yalumba, Australia's oldest family-owned winery, Louisa has become one of the world's most respected winemakers—forging an identity for Australian Viognier, challenging perceptions of Barossa Shiraz, leading her viti- and vinicultural teams to ever greater heights, and giving up her nights, weekends, and spare moments for the betterment of Australian wine. In addition to being chief winemaker for Yalumba, she is also in charge of the winemaking at Pewsey Vale in Eden Valley and Jansz in Tasmania.

After graduating with a degree in marine biology and chemistry, Heather moved to the Barossa, where she naturally grew curious about winemaking. She started working at Yalumba's laboratory in 1999, and quickly moved into production. She has a passion for nature and sustainability and took the winemaking responsibility of the Yalumba Organics collection in 2011. In 2020, Heather became the driving force behind Yalumba's sustainability program, The Next 5, leading a team of dedicated individuals to achieve their social, economic and environmental sustainability goals now and for the next five generations.

Founded in 1960 by Sergio and Carla Zenato, the Zenato winery was originally based on the production of quality wines from an indigenous variety, Trebbiano di Lugana. Over time, the winery has been passed to Sergio and Carla's children, who have maintained and expanded upon this vision. Their daughter Nadia currently handles the marketing and promotional activities for the company.