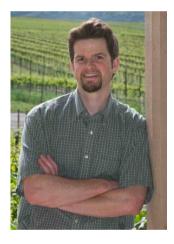




The Nielson winemaking team is led by Jonathan Nagy, who uses highend, small-lot winemaking techniques, such as hand pruning, block-by-block harvesting, barrel fermentations and lees stirring, in combination with fruit from some of the AVA's most renowned sites to ensure that the wines capture the culture, lifestyle and flavor of Santa Barbara County



Nielson's Head of Winemaking, Jonathan Nagy



**Nielson Winery** 



In 1964, Uriel Nielson planted Santa Barbara County's first commercial vineyard along the windswept Santa Maria Bench. Four decades later, the remote maritime appellation is considered one of California's finest regions for cool climate grapes. The Nielson Estate is located on the site of Mr. Nielson's original vineyard.

At Nielson, we honor the vision and persistence of our namesake, as we continue to harvest grapes from the best parts of this coastal enclave. Since the early 1980's Santa Barbara County has been recognized as one of California's great wine regions. The mild climate and sandy soils make this the perfect locale for cool-climate varieties like Pinot Noir and Chardonnay

Nielson's estate vineyards are just 32kms from the Pacific ocean. The combination of cool marine air that sweeps through the vines, the consistent temperatures, and the balanced soils produces spectacular Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. These vineyards were carefully chosen for mineral content and drainage capabilities, leading to healthy vines and ultimately to wines packed with character.



The temperature is mild, the wind is steady and the terrain is gentle and rounded. In the winter these hills are tinted gold and raw sienna. In the summer they are all shades of green. The wines are a reflection of their surroundings. Every time you taste one of Nielson's wines you are surrounded by the flavors, textures and scents that can only come from the Santa Maria Valley

