

# BACKGROUND: BATTUELLO VINEYARDS

## COORDINATES:

3350 Ehlers Lane, St. Helena CA 94574

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## HISTORY:

For five generations the Battuello Family has been growing vines in the northern Napa Valley. Battuello Vineyards, in St. Helena, was founded in 1909 by Matteo Battuello and his wife Serafina, who immigrated to California from Favria, a town in the Piedmont region of northern Italy.

In 1906, Matteo Battuello arrived in America by steamship, arriving at Ellis Island and then settling in New Mexico where he worked in the mining industry. He then joined friends in Napa Valley and bought some land in 1909. He started farming grapes, prunes and walnuts and then planted Zinfandel, Petite Sirah, Mondeuse Noire, Carignan, Napa Gamay (Valdiguié) and Alicante Bouschet. His wife Serafina joined him in 1912 and worked by his side running the property while they raised their sons Dominic and Joseph. Dominic and his wife Ellen inherited the property and bought additional adjacent property, expanding the vineyard. They raised their children Craig, Lois and Elaine on the farm. Craig took over running the property and today his son Dave has joined him. Dave and his wife Torey are raising their children Case and Alessa on the family property today. In 2001 Craig purchased a neighboring parcel, expanding the estate to its current 82 acres. One notable building on the Battuello property is a barn built in the 1830s, designed by the same architect who designed St. Helena's Bale Grist Mill.

## MANAGEMENT: Family owned and operated

Craig Battuello, Proprietor

Dave Battuello, Vineyard Manager

Michael Trujillo, Winemaker

Torey Battuello, Marketing & Sales

**ESTATE:** 82 acres in the St. Helena AVA, planted to 65 acres Cabernet Sauvignon, .33 acres Valdiguié, 4 acres Petit Verdot, .33 acres Sauvignon Blanc.

## FARMING PRACTICES:

sustainable; certified Fish Friendly Farming

## APPELLATION:

St. Helena, nestled in between the Mayacamas and Vaca mountain ranges in the northern Napa Valley

**WINES:** Sourcing: all wines are made from grapes grown on the estate

Sauvignon Blanc, \$32

Valdiguié Rosé, 100 cases, \$28.00

Valdiguié, \$45.00

Petit Verdot, \$70.00

Cabernet Sauvignon \$90.00

Cabernet Sauvignon STALLA, \$70

**NAME:** Pronounced either bah-too-ehh-low or in a more Americanized approach, ba-twello, it is the surname of the family patriarch, Matteo, who founded the estate (planted the first vineyards and acquired the property), and came from the town of Favria in Piedmont to the United States in 1906.

**UNIQUE:** Valdiguié (Napa Gamay) been grown here since the 1920s. During Prohibition the government bought wine from the family, which was then loaded onto railroad cars which traversed the family property, and traveled to Washington D.C.