

## **Madrone Vineyard Management**

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### **Vineyard Maintenance Calendar**

<b>January</b>	Pruning and tying vines. Strip spray vineyard. Vineyard clean-up. Vineyard Inspections. Monitor fields in inclement weather.
<b>February</b>	Pruning and tying continues. Trellis repair and maintenance. Vineyard inspections, monitor fields in inclement weather.
<b>March</b>	Mulch and chop vine cuttings, mow vineyard floor. Finish pruning and tying. Vine inspections, monitor fields for erosion and frost.
<b>April</b>	Mowing and spot spray for weed control. Irrigation maintenance. Fungicide applications begin. Monitor/control vertebrate pests.
<b>May</b>	Suckering vines, fungicide applications. Monitor vertebrate pests. Irrigation inspections. Mowing and discing vineyard floor.
<b>June</b>	Shoot thinning/positioning. Fertilization, irrigation inspections. Fungicide applications, spot spray weeds. Green berry drop.
<b>July</b>	Canopy Management, thinning crop, irrigation. Monitor vertebrate pests. Weed control and vineyard floor maintenance.
<b>August</b>	Final fungicide application. Vineyard inspections and irrigation.
<b>September</b>	Irrigation ends. Harvest begins with Chardonnay and Pinot varietals.
<b>October</b>	Harvest continues and only vineyard emergencies are addressed. Winters erosion control assessment. Cover crop planted.
<b>November</b>	Harvest is completed. Vineyards are fertilized, composted. Irrigation systems are winterized.
<b>December</b>	Trellis repair and maintenance, erosion control. First application weed control in vineyard applied.

This is a summary of typical vineyard maintenance for a mature vineyard. Unforeseen changes in weather can alter the schedule of vineyard maintenance. Young vines and different trellis systems will also affect the schedule of vineyard work.