

Madrone Vineyard Management

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Vineyard Maintenance Calendar

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