



GENCO GAZETTE

May 2022

GENCO MEETS ON THE 4TH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
MAY 25 MEETING: WINEMAKER –TOM GENDALL
 Good Shepherd Church
 1402 University St. Healdsburg – downstairs in Gruenhagen Hall
JUNE 22 MEETING: WINES OF ITALY
JUNE 26 PICNIC

**APRIL MEETING:
MALBECS**

Our first live meeting of the year was a big hit. Many thanks to Mary Lou and George for their great presentation! They have certainly raised the bar for our level of education. Great job!

Everything you wanted know about Malbec was covered, from origins, history, vineyard locations, and it's place in winemaking today.

A tasting of six Malbecs from four countries followed with a social hour featuring food pairings for these unique wines as well as some GENCO member homemade Malbecs. All-in-all a superb start to our 2022 in-person meetings.



**MAY 25: 7:00 PM
WINEMAKER –TOM GENDALL**

Our featured speaker for the May 25th meeting is Tom Gendall, the Director of Winemaking and Viticulture for Cline Family Cellars and Jacuzzi Family Vineyards. GENCO Secretary, Joan Griffin gets credit for persuading Tom to speak to our group.

Tom Gendall was born in Christchurch, New Zealand. In his later life he worked for wineries there, after earning a degree in Viticulture and Oenology in 2007. New Zealand has a burgeoning wine industry and a growing reputation for their unique Sauvignon Blancs and excellent Pinot Noirs. To broaden his experience, he did a stint in Germany before moving to California in 2011.



Gendall joined Cline in 2016 as assistant winemaker and replaced their long-time winemaker who retired. He is now the Director of Winemaking and Viticulture for Cline Family Cellars and Jacuzzi Family Vineyards. Cline specializes in Rhone varietals, Zinfandels, and classic Sonoma County cool regions varietals. The Jacuzzi Family Winery specializes in Italian varieties: Dolcetto, Nebbiolo, Sangiovese, Nero D'Avola, Montepulciano, Barbera, Arneis, Grenache, and a few others unusual varieties.

In the interim, Tom made wine for Sojourn Cellars, Arrowood Vineyards and Winery, and the very exclusive Bryant Family Vineyard in Napa. So, you see his training, experience, and interests are quite diverse. He also has a strong background in managing vineyards and running cellars, essential for making great wines. He's active in the industry and served as President of Sonoma Valley Vintners and Growers. He's a man of charm and many talents, and well informed with respect to wine and winemaking, so don't miss his presentation.

🍷 2 glass meeting

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PLEASE**
 Reserve your seat today!
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