

Ron Noble and Yun Chu, Owners

As a civil and coastal engineer, and avid sailor, Ron Noble has spent most of his life near the sea. As the founder of two consulting engineering firms specializing in coastal and harbor engineering, he has spent most of his time near the sea overseeing projects on everything from beach stabilization to seawalls to ports and harbors. His work has taken him to over 35 countries in 50 years. His success in business and his attraction to great wine led him to found Ron Noble Wines.

Ron acquired the hillside property of Noble Family Vineyards and Ron Noble Wines in 1999 with aspirations of owning his own vineyard and making his own wine. Ron's passion for wines started in his early 20s and only intensified as the years went on. His incredible journeys took him around the world and he fashioned them into opportunities to visit premier wineries.

Ron's wife, Yun Chu, was born to Chinese parents in South Korea. She speaks, reads and writes fluently in three languages: English, Mandarin Chinese and Korean. Yun earned her black belt in Chinese boxing/fisticuffs when she was only 18 years old, taught by her father who was the Asian champion in karate and martial arts. Yun is a gourmet cook, having spent many years in the food and restaurant business.

Now semi-retired, when he isn't still consulting, Ron wanders the estate vineyard, spends time with his family, and nurtures his vision for Ron Noble Wines. Less than 15 miles from the Pacific Ocean and situated in the Petaluma Gap, the Ron Noble Estate exemplifies the ideal nexus of land, water and air. "Our approach to winemaking is one of precision and style. Simple in theory, yet challenging in practice, we strive for the perfect balance of elegance and soulfulness."