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**December 12th 2014: Guest Stu Smith of Smith-Madrone Vineyards**

Winemaker Stu Smith of Smith Madrone Vineyards in Napa Valley will share stories from his over 40 years of winemaking and life in Napa Valley. In May 1971, with a partnership of family and friends, Stuart Smith bought the 'terroir' which today is Smith-Madrone Vineyards & winery high on Spring Mountain.

Smith-Madrone remains a true craft producer, making only 4,000 cases of estate wine annually. The vineyards produce Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay and Riesling.

A visit to Smith-Madrone is a step back in time to the Napa Valley of the 1980's when the experience was much mo

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#### Stu Smith

Brothers Stuart and Charles Smith are the vineyard managers and winemakers of Smith-Madrone Winery. The name for the winery came as a tribute to the Smith brothers who pursued their dream and to the Madrone trees which distinguish the property. In May 1971, with a partnership of family and friends, Stuart Smith bought the 'terroir' which today is Smith-Madrone Vineyards & winery. He was 22 years old and had just received his B.A. in Economics from UC Berkeley and was taking classes towards his Master's in Viticulture at UC Davis. In trying to find land to plant vineyard in the Napa Valley, through a family friend he explored a forest on the remotest and highest part of Spring Mountain

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