## W H I T E H A L L

## WINEMAKER

## JASON MOULTON



The Leonardini Family introduced Jason Moulton as their winemaker in 2016. He was excited to join the Whitehall Lane team because of the Leonardini's commitment to their sustainable traditions in their vineyards and winemaking. He has immersed himself in the nuances of the eight estate vineyards, energized the winemaking team and elevated wine quality. He also brought a keen interest and understanding of environmentally sensitive and sustainable winemaking.

Through the years, Jason has ascended the ranks from cellar worker to cellar master, assistant winemaker to winemaker. He started his winemaking career in Rutherford, traversed the world and is back in Rutherford making his mark with world-class wines. He graduated from the Lincoln University Viticulture and Enology program in New Zealand and spent more than a dozen years making wine in Napa Valley, Russian River, Canada, New Zealand, Bordeaux and South Africa. He has worked with renowned winemakers Philippe Melka, David Ramey, Kale Anderson and Ashley Heisey.

"It is wonderful to have a winemaker with a wealth of worldly wine experience," said owner Katie Leonardini. "He brought new ideas and processes and has embraced our focus on environmental sustainability from the soil to the bottle. And the wines are fantastic!"

In addition to being a winemaker, Jason is a Certified Sommelier through the Court of Master Sommeliers and a certified wine judge through the American Wine Society. He lives in Calistoga with his wife and two children.

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