

Bodkin

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Bodkin Wines: The Next Big Thing

Whatever happened to pretty wine? Some say Robert Parker killed it...but that's just rumor. At Bodkin Wines we are all about using old-world craftsmanship along with modern space-age science to make wines that have all the elegance and balance that our marketing materials don't have. Furthermore, we don't believe that handcrafted wine has to cost a hand and a leg. So we aim to make wines at a price we'd be happy to pay (and we are ballers on a budget). We're proud of these wines and want to share them with other like minded souls.

What have the critiques said about the wines? How does medieval European history pair with wine from California?

With eleven 90+ point scores from the Wine Enthusiast alone in the past two vintages, I'd say the critics have spoken (mic drops). A bodkin is a type of arrowhead used with great success by peasant bowman of England against the armored nobility of France during the hundred year's War....Anytime you get to stick it to the French in this business, you have to.

What kind of a fool would want to start a Sauv Blanc focused winery?

Winemaker, Chris Christensen, wanted to impress the ladies and at 22, winemaking was the best (worst) idea he had on how to do it. Since then, he's spent the past 13 harvest's working on his PhD in winemaking from the school of hard knocks. After eight years in the cellar and lab he started Bodkin Wines in 2011, with less money than it take to buy a Kia. American Dream stuff, for a poor kid from Iowa and he's working hard at it everyday — somebody call Oprah.



Wait, did he really make America's first Sparkling Sauvignon Blanc?

Dang right, in the 396 year enological history of America, we are the first. Back in 2012 all Christensen wanted to do was make an approachable and quaffable sparkling wine that pairs well with brunch, good times, live music and sunny days, at a reasonable price...little did he know he was starting a movement. Bodkin is the original and there is nothing else like it out there.

Are your wines "New California" style?

Lower alcohol, high acidity, limited new oak, and maximum finesse. Some call this style "New California Winemaking" — Chis just calls it winemaking. Making balanced and harmonious wine have nothing to do with buying grapes from famous vineyards, dressing like a hipster or charging a king's ransom for a bottle of wine. Bodkin wine is true to it's core, balanced as a ballerina and priced to enjoy.