



The Story of Bodkin Wines starts on a muddy field outside the town of Agincourt in the north of France on the 25th of October, 1415. Small in numbers, starved for days and ravaged by sickness an English army of 5,000 peasant archers and 1,000 knights, led by their 28-year-old King found itself trapped. Standing between the English and the safety of their land was an army of nearly 30,000 of the wealthiest and best-armed men in all of France: ready for battle; giddy to collect the ransom of a king. But no ransom was to be collected. For on that day, the feast day of Saints Crispin and Crispinian, Henry V and his army of peasant bowmen with their armor-piercing bodkin-pointed arrows and gave history a story that inspired Shakespeare to pen a legend for the ages.

584 years later, I first heard this story in Mr. Alberty's English Literature class at Washington High in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Bravery and brotherhood, arrows and axes, stirring speeches and a smoking hot French princess, the play Henry V had everything an 18-year-old needling could have wanted: I was hooked. The play's most famous quote "We few, we happy few" has been my motto since I started working my way up through the world of wine production in 2003.

A 2011 Sauvignon Blanc was my first commercial release and since then nature and good fortune have allowed me to add the first and only sparkling Sauvignon Blanc made in the United States, Chardonnay, Zinfandel, blends and sweet wines. I hope you enjoy drinking my wines as much as I enjoyed the journey of making them.

Yay-yay-yay, I know it sounds cliché, but I mean it.

Cheers!

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