

Vineyard Assistant/Winemaker Assistant

Two Silo Winery and Vineyard is a boutique Winery, Vineyard, and Farmhouse experience in Grant, MN. Just 20 minutes northeast of Minneapolis & St. Paul. A haven where rustic beginnings meet modern flair. Our 22 acre retired dairy farm is home to 2300 grape vines. Our Winemaker is excited to share our hand-crafted wines from our vineyard and imported from both New York State and Lodi, California. We hope you enjoy our wines as much as we do! The Farmhouse is a perfect overnight getaway for 12 people.

Come for the view, Stay for the wine

Under general supervision the Vineyard/Winemaker Assistant will help in all areas of the vineyard and winemaking through field analysis, vine care, canopy & fruit management, harvest, crushing, pressing, juice/wine movements, and barrel work.

Essential Duties:

- Vineyard management vine care, pruning, soil evaluation, canopy and fruit management, Brix analysis, Irrigation, Pest Control and Weed Control
- Grape must receiving, sorting, crushing and pressing
- Brix/Temp analysis on fermenters and barrel lots
- Juice analysis and data tracking
- Pump-overs and punch-downs, Draining and pressing tanks, Juice and wine additions, Juice/wine racking, Barrel filling, racking, and topping, Barrel sanitation, and maintenance
- Facility and equipment maintenance to include general cleaning and general sanitation to food grade standards
- Vineyard equipment – proper use, general care, maintenance and cleaning
- Accurately follow and complete work-orders under general supervision
- Takes on special projects as assigned by the Vineyard Manager
- Additional duties as assigned
- Outside work in varying weather conditions
- Vineyard and Winery experience preferred
- Willing to learn, adapt and react
- Understanding and ability to follow all safety requirements.
- Ability to perform the physical labor necessary.
- Attention to detail.
- Commitment to excellence and high standards.
- Able to prioritize, meet deadlines with accuracy, and work with minimal supervision.

Benefits:

- Flexible schedule – based on season and tasks to perform
- This is an hourly, non-exempt position
- Pay: \$15.00-\$25.00 per hour depending on qualifications

Ability to commute/relocate:

- Two Silo Winery and Vineyard Grant, MN 55110 Reliably commute or planning to relocate before starting work (Required)

PHYSICAL/MENTAL REQUIREMENTS:

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to do the following:

- Walk, kneel, bend, and stand for extended periods of time, frequently on uneven or steep terrain.
- Must be able to lift 50 pounds and carry it 50-60 feet repetitively throughout the day.
- Must be able to do repetitive hand squeezing with both hands.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

- Work is mainly performed in a vineyard. The individual may come in contact with vines that have been treated with pesticides and fungicides as well as weeds that have been sprayed with herbicides in accordance with all local state and federal regulations.
- Noise levels can be moderate to loud.
- Exposed to outdoor elements; daytime temperatures can range from freezing to hot.
- Night and early morning work hours necessary during frost season and harvest with exposure to low temperatures and wind.
- Hazards: Occasionally works near moving machinery parts and is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions and toxic or caustic chemicals.

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While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to do the following:

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