

TRIG POINT

Sonoma, California

HISTORY

Nick Goldschmidt has spent the last few decades traveling the globe as a flying winemaker. For many years, he was the head-winemaker for established wineries like Simi, Allied Domecq, and Beam Estates. In 1998, Nick and his wife Yolyn started their family wine company. The goal has always been to focus on site specific wine making from great vineyard sites around the world. The Trig Point wines from Nick and Yolyn Goldschmidt are all single vineyard, handcrafted, small production, artisan wines.

Triangulation is a mathematical process that makes accurate map making possible and a “trig” has been used for many years to establish boundary lines. Trigonometrical stations were set on the top of hills and used as surveying sites. Winemaker Nick Goldschmidt’s father was a land surveyor and used these trigs as a reference for all of his work and Nick often reaches for his “trig” when surveying vineyard sites.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

The Diamond Dust Vineyard, located just north of Healdsburg, produces rich and supple Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Its sedimentary soils are nutrient poor and unfertile. They receive abundant sun exposure and induce concentrated and very flavorful grapes. Alluvial and sandy soils drain well and lead to large root systems and healthy vines. The micro-climate in the Diamond Dust Vineyard is of critical importance. Summer mornings are usually foggy and very cool but warm sunshine follows and mid-90s temperatures are common in the afternoons. Most evenings the fog rolls in again and the vineyards cool down to the mid-40s. This daily temperature cycle continues well into September and ripens fruit evenly and slowly. These are prime conditions for Zinfandel and the red Bordeaux varieties.

- **Region** Sonoma County
- **Appellation** Alexander Valley, Sonoma Coast
- **Year Founded** 1998
- **Proprietor** Nick & Yolyn Goldschmidt
- **Winemaker** Nick Goldschmidt
- **Annual Production** 5,000 9L cases
- **Varieties Cultivated** Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Merlot, Zinfandel

