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THESE ARE THE 15 NEW CALIFORNIA WINERIES YOU NEED TO KNOW IN 2025

To drink better wine, start with these new names.

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Colombia native Bibiana González Rave knew by age 14 that she wanted to be a winemaker. After she studied at the University of Bordeaux, González Rave worked at top wineries such as Château Haut-Brion, La Mission Haut-Brion and Château la Dominique in Bordeaux; Michel & Stéphane Ogier and Domaine Clusel-Roch in Côte-Rôtie; and Lynmar Estate in the U.S., before she started her own company in 2012.

González Rave makes wine under several labels: Cattleya, which specializes in higher-end, appellation-blend and single-vineyard wines; Alma de Cattleya, for more affordable regional cuvées; and Shared Notes, a joint project with her husband, Jeff Pisoni, of Pisoni Vineyards.

Her **2022 Cattleya The Initiation Syrah** (\$70) is terrific, albeit hard to find. Contact the winery directly, or use wine-searcher.com. The brisk **2023 Alma de Cattleya Sonoma County Sauvignon Blanc** (\$26) is effortlessly drinkable.

