

SONOMA AND NAPA WINERIES YOU NEED TO KNOW IN 2025, ACCORDING TO FOOD & WINE

Nearly a dozen wineries from Sonoma and Napa counties were named as some of the most exciting to step on the scene in California.



Winemaker Bibiana Gonzalez Rave grew up in Medellin, Colombia, and gained fame when her Alma de Cattleya, 2021 Sauvignon Blanc was ranked No. 28 on Wine Spectator's Top 100 List for 2023. Rave produces about 3,400 cases of wine in her Rohnert Park facility, Jan. 30, 2023. (John Burgess/The Press Democrat)

The local wineries you need to know Alma de Cattleya

In its September/October 2024 issue, Sonoma Magazine featured Bibiana González Rave, the founder of Alma de Cattleya, in a winemaker portraits series (where each photograph was developed in wine). The magazine spotlighted Rave's **2021 Cattleya 'The Reward' Syrah** — a "mind-blowing," small batch wine.

Rave worked at a number of top wineries around the world before starting her own in

2012 with her first label, Cattleya, the national flower of her native Colombia. Alma de Cattleya is her newest venture, featuring more affordable regional wines. Food & Wine highlighted Rave's **2022 Cattleya 'The Initiation' Syrah** (\$70) as well as the 2023 Alma de Cattleya Sauvignon Blanc (\$26).

While Alma de Cattleya doesn't currently offer private seated tastings, guests can schedule a time to purchase wines at the winery and will be treated to a complimentary pour while the order is prepared.