

Job Title: 2018 Harvest Internship - Boutique Co-Op Winemaking Facility close to San Jose

Location: Gilroy, CA

Company Name: The Stomping Ground Custom Crush

Company Description: The Stomping Ground is a new boutique alternating proprietorship facility along with custom crush services located in Gilroy, CA. Home to 8 wineries as of today, along with providing services to numerous other wineries.

Job Description: The nature of the co-op approach to winemaking for an internship position is that you will be interacting with numerous winemakers, gaining hands on experience on leading industry equipment including presses, destemmers, filtration, even VA removal (if needed). You will learn all aspects of the winemaking process in the cellar and lab while working with us. At the end of this internship, you will have the confidence to run a small winery if not the world. It is a fun group of wineries and people bringing various approaches to winemaking and thoughts which you will see in numerous different lots of wine. There will be tasting/blending/quality analysis of various lots of wine as well. We buy the best equipment to minimize the boring work and get things done efficiently. It will be a fun harvest where we often have lunch together on site and have bottles of wine after work. Best part is one of the managing partners is the first of two Wine and Viticulture minors from Cal Poly class of 1999 (Business Manager with a Finance and Accounting Concentration, Minor in Economics plus Wine Marketing Certificate)! So we are looking for the best one or two students from Cal Poly to help this harvest.

The start date is flexible, with June as the earliest time, for individuals interested in assisting with bottling and harvest preparation. Wage is based on experience. Housing is not provided. Candidates must be able to stay for the duration of harvest.

Duties:

- Punchdowns and pumpovers
- Sanitation
- Additions
- Laboratory analysis
- Barrel work, such as cleaning and filling
- Fruit receipt, sorting, and processing
- Wine transfers
- Record keeping and data entry
- Filtration
- Bottling
- Reverse Osmosis and VA removal (if needed)

Qualifications:

- Current study in Enology and Viticulture
- Ability to carry and lift 40+ pounds on a routine basis
- A hard worker, with a willingness to work variable hours up to 10 hours a day, 6 days a week
- Personal integrity, reliability, and a willingness to communicate
- A humble approach towards learning
- Previous experience is appreciated but not required

Job Type: Internship

Pay Range: Competitive

Start Date: July-August

End Date: December

Other Information: The Stomping Ground is located near 101 and 152 East in Gilroy. The property is a 7.5 acre property, formally a roof tile manufacturing facility converted to a winery, with about 40,000 sq ft of space plus a large outdoor crushpad.

Contact Instructions: Interested individuals should send a resume and cover letter to Assistant Winemaker Tim Li at tim.li@thestompingground.com. Cover letter should describe what you hope to get out of your internship with us, how you believe you can contribute to the team, and your preferred start date. No phone calls please!

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