

Bacigalupi Vineyards

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Vintner Searches State for Finest Grapes from Established Vineyards
By Nathan Chroman

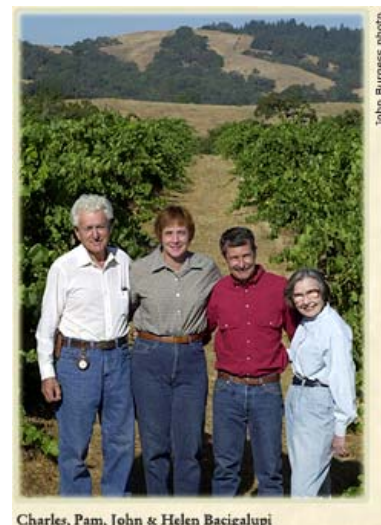
Charles Bacigalupi, whose vineyards are adjacent to Belvedere and whose Chardonnays have earned a just reputation as fine representatives of the variety. Initial inkling of the vineyard's quality came from Chateau Montelena's 1976 Chardonnay victory at the nefarious Paris tasting with the grapes purchased from Bacigalupi. In the interim, enjoy **Bacigalupi's '79 Pinot Noir**, which, too is developing well in a different style with good flavor but without the degree of intensity of the Napa wine. Not yet soft and yielding, the wine should improve over the next several years and provides an interesting contrast between fine vineyards in Sonoma and Napa, a distinction of style worth exploring.

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Taking Sides in the Butter Battle

In the 1970's, when the modern California wine industry was still young, vintners made big ripe and very American Chardonnays that were notable for their massive tastes. But back then, "buttery" was a complimentary word in our notes. As we said about a **Bacigalupi '1979 Chardonnay**: "Buttery, wood nose. Big citrusy taste upfront, very peppery, but a big buttery smooth finish. Thick and incredibly long-lasting. Amazing combination of lemony acid, pepper and thick, creamy butter."

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"Bacigalupi-like" More than 20 years ago, we took the recommendation of a wine merchant and bought some California Chardonnay called Bacigalupi. Our subsequent notes on the wine take up a half page and include this: ***Absolutely luscious. Big and fruity and plump. Huge finish.*** When we say a wine is **"Bacigalupi-like,"** we mean that it's a good old fashioned, walk-to-the-table California Chardonnay, so very proud of its bold tastes that it's happy to strut its stuff at room temperature.



Charles, Pam, John & Helen Bacigalupi