



Cult Wineries That Are Worth The Wait List

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Start by seeking out lesser-known producers like [Lail Vineyards](#). Unless you're a Napa Valley insider, you've probably never heard of Robin Lail. However, as the daughter of Inglenook's former owner, John Daniel Jr., she's practically wine country royalty.

Lail also has quite the impressive resume that includes cofounding Dominus and Merryvale vineyards, serving a stint as general manager at Forbes Travel Guide Four-Star [Meadowood Napa Valley](#) and the personal assistant to Robert Mondavi, who also was her mentor.

Today, Robin oversees the team at Lail Vineyards. The family-owned operation is run by renowned winemaker Philippe Melka and makes less than 4,000 cases annually. Lail offers several tiers of club membership with the most coveted being the Robin's Nest, a group with just 200 members. For \$3,000 per year, you'll receive six bottles of sauvignon blanc and nine of the famed cabernet sauvignon.