



Serendipity Wines Guide to Green Wine Certifications



Certified Organic

Includes EcoCert & Made With Organic Grapes



- **Vineyard/Farm:** 3rd Party Certified Organic. No synthetic pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, or fertilizers
- **Winery:** Facility is certified by 3rd party to meet organic standards
- **100% Organic Grapes**
- **Yeast:** Native, Organic, or Conventional
- **Sulfites:** Up to 100ppm



Organic Vineyard

Same as above, except:

- **Winery:** Conventional - processing aids are unregulated & may contain chemical additives
- **Sulfites:** Up to 350ppm



USDA Certified Organic/No Sulfites Added



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- **Winery:** Facility is certified by 3rd party to meet organic standards
- **100% Organic Grapes**
- **Yeast:** Native or USDA Organic
- **Sulfites:** None added. Naturally occurring up to 10ppm



Certified Biodynamic



- **Vineyard/Farm:** 3rd Party Certified Biodynamic. No synthetic pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, or fertilizers
- **Winery:** Facility is certified by 3rd party to meet Biodynamic standards
- **100% Biodynamic Grapes**
- **Yeast:** Native; no acid or sugar adjustments
- **Sulfites:** Up to 100ppm
- Biodynamics treat the vineyard as a self-sustaining, living organism & vine care & harvesting schedules are based on the astronomical calendar



Biodynamic Vineyard

Same as above, except:

- **Winery:** Conventional - processing aids are unregulated & may contain chemical additives
- **Sulfites:** Up to 350ppm



Vegan

- No animal products are used during fining (Many common fining agents are derived from animal byproducts)
- There is no official designation for vegan wines



Certified Sustainable



- Different certifiers such as SIP, Lodi Rules, LIVE & CCSW have their own standards & rules
- **Vineyard/Winery:** Focused on practices addressing habitat, water, energy, soil, recycling, air quality, packaging, pest management, & social equity
- **Yeast:** Native or Conventional
- **Sulfites:** Up to 350ppm



Organic Practicing, Biodynamic Practicing, & Sustainable Practicing

- These abbreviations signify wineries that demonstrate a strong dedication to organic, Biodynamic, or sustainable practices, though they are not certified

La Lutte Raisonnée

- Literally translated to "reasoned struggle" in French, this is a pragmatic approach to farming where chemical treatments are used only when absolutely necessary
- A first step towards full organic farming for some growers, a happy medium for others