



## RAYMOND REYES DIRECTOR OF WINEGROWING

With more than 30 years of viticulture experience, Raymond Reyes is one of the most respected winegrowers in Napa Valley. As Director of Winegrowing for Chandon California, Raymond oversees the management of more than 1500 acres of estate vineyards as well as the vineyards where additional fruit is sourced for Chandon's portfolio of sparkling and still wines.

Raymond's passion for agriculture began during his childhood, when he happily worked on a neighbor's dairy. When he enrolled in college his interests changed and he began a path towards studying architecture.

But before long, the outdoors beckoned and Raymond's path changed again. He graduated from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo State University in Natural Resources Management.

After working several years for the USDA with the Soil Conservation Service consulting in row crops, range management, various citrus and tree nut crops, Raymond landed by chance in the Napa Valley and soon discovered his true vocation: viticulture

In 1983, Raymond began managing vineyards for private individuals. In 1997 he joined Chandon California. This role led to similar positions for Gallo, Constellation and Sunset Vineyards.

Raymond has extensive knowledge of California, Oregon and Washington State winegrowing practices with an emphasis on mountain terrior and sustainable farming. Raymond considers himself a steward of the land, farming both innovatively and sustainably to ensure that our precious resources can be enjoyed for decades to come.