

The Mutt Lynch Story



Brenda, Chris, Katie & Porter...and their dog Patch!

The California wine business brought Chris and Brenda Lynch together. A chance meeting over 25 years ago—it's been a wonderful ride ever since. Mutt Lynch Winery was born in 1995 combining the Lynch's mutual passion for wine and "all things dog."

Their motto: ***Apply Dog Logic to Life—Eat Well, Be Loved, Get Petted, Sleep A Lot, Dream of a Leash-Free World.—Sark***



Natural evolution has carved out their roles. Chris dreamed of owning a winery and started as winemaker—books, courses, not one ounce of natural production sense. Brenda assessed the situation and took over—no books, no courses, but a natural sense of "what to do." Wine quality has been outstanding ever since.

The Addition of Twins

The addition of twins Katie and Porter days before the 2007 harvest added a wonderful layer of chaos to the Lynch's lives. Their household has always been full of animals - cats and dogs - their pseudo children. Now it's the "real deal"... times two!



Brenda calls 2007 her "fog" vintage. Not because of any unusual weather pattern in the vineyards; rather her memories of the winemaking (and life in general!) are quite foggy due to the birth of Katie and Porter on August 16. Just 12 days after their birth, Brenda and twins were at the winery to crush Zinfandel grapes. Now that's multi-tasking!

Five years on, and the kids still love to help "Mommy" at the winery, but the big adventure for the twins in 2012 is the start of school. Winery and family time flies.



Patch the Winery Dog

Well sort of. Patch's idea of helping out at the winery looks suspiciously like his activities at the Lynch's house—find the most comfortable place available, lie down, fall asleep, move only if forced to do so. Forklifts and picking bins seem to be in "his" way, not vice-versa.

To his credit, Patch is a rescued ex-racing Greyhound from New Zealand who had a stellar career down-under. He was the king of his kennel so to speak, and thinks he still should be. His racing these days is limited to chasing squirrels and cats, when he's not sleeping of course. Like the wine, he ages well.



"Bark Less, Wag More!"

Brenda Lynch, Owner & Winemaker