

# FETZER VINEYARDS®

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## **Rooted in rebellion. Commitment to regenerate.**

Fetzer Vineyards is the world's largest winery certified as a B Corporation and the recipient of a United Nations Momentum for Change award for global leadership in climate-smart winegrowing. A wine industry leader in using business as a force for good, Fetzer Vineyards stewards an award-winning portfolio of multi-origin wines and spirits that are available in more than 50 countries worldwide. Founded by Barney Fetzer in Mendocino County, California, in 1968, Fetzer Vineyards today remains driven by excellence, innovation and longstanding commitments to the environment, regenerative agriculture, and responsible business practices.

In addition to robust offerings under the winery's flagship Fetzer label, the winery also crafts the leading wine from organic grapes, Bonterra Organic Vineyards, named American Winery of the Year by Wine Enthusiast magazine in 2016. Other California offerings include Anthony's Hill, Relay, Sanctuary Wines and 1000 Stories, the original Bourbon barrel-aged wine. Part of global winery Viña Concha y Toro, Fetzer Vineyards imports iconic South American selections from Chile and Argentina.

During the Harvest season, we are looking to hire a **Harvest Viticulture Technician** for the **Lodi/Modesto/Delta (Interior Valley)**. This is a great role for those looking to gain experience in the wine industry or seeking an interim role that takes one to gorgeous vineyards and outdoor vistas throughout the northern and central Interior Valley.

In this role, you will be responsible for collecting field data including cluster counts, weights and general phenological data as well as perform field sugar testing of grapes for approximately 12-14 weeks. The Vit Tech will have the opportunity to work with the grower relations team.

**This temporary position lasts through Harvest with an estimated duration of late July through approximately mid/late October 2021.**

**Lodi/Modesto/Delta focused position:** This Interior Valley role will spend a majority of the time in the Lodi and Modesto areas with potential travel to Madera and Fresno counties. Pre-Harvest, the role will average 2-3 days a week and then expand to 4-5 days a week as peak Harvest approaches and through most of Harvest.

The ideal candidate will be located within close proximity to the Lodi area. The Company provides standard mileage reimbursement for business-related miles while in the field.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Collect cluster counts and weights.
- Monitor and undertake sugar sampling (brix samples) of grapes in designated areas of the vineyards in a timely and accurate manner.
- Record and report results to grower relations team/supervisor on a daily basis.
- Record and track time and mileage for payroll.
- Assist with vineyard monitoring and related tasks such as doing crop estimates, observing grape ripeness characteristics and record keeping of sugar sampling results.

### **Required:**

- Ability to communicate in a professional and effective manner with people in the organization as well as our grower community (written & verbal).

- Must provide own vehicle that is capable of driving on dirt roads and uneven terrain, valid CDL and auto insurance.
- Requires rigorous walking and physical work in vineyards with steep and/or uneven terrain.
- May require work in extreme weather such as heat for extended periods.
- Willingness to travel within the counties.
- Early morning hours and some Saturday work required.
- Self-directed with the ability to multi-task and meet deadlines.
- Detail oriented with excellent record keeping skills.
- Some data entry and computer work required.
- Must adapt easily to daily changes in schedules, plans and priorities.
- Professional attitude and proper representation of the Company with growers and the public.
- Teamwork with internal and external contacts.

**Preferred:**

- Viticulture knowledge, a plus (but not required).
- A passion for or interest in agriculture.
- Appreciation for an outdoor work environment.

**Physical Requirements:**

Ability to lift and carry 50 lbs. as needed; ability to drive motor vehicles to assigned ranches, work locations and offices; able to work in all weather conditions including but not limited to heat, cold, wet and windy. Ability to walk and perform physical work in vineyards with steep and/or uneven terrain, mud, dust and soft soil. Ability to climb, crawl, squat, kneel, and bend. Sitting, hand/finger dexterity, and working at computer or in an office or shop setting required. Valid CA Driver License.

**About Fetzer Vineyards:**

Our California winery operation includes Mendocino County winery, production and 1000 acres of farmed vineyard locations. The company employs over 300 across the United States.

**Multiple Positions Available In:**

Central Coast, North Coast (Mendocino and Lake Counties), Interior Valley (Lodi)

Fetzer Vineyards' corporate office is located at 12901 Old River Rd Hopland, CA 95449

**To apply:**

Tell us about your passion for the wine industry by applying online <http://fetzervineyards.appone.com>

Requires successful completion of criminal background, DMV check (if applicable) and drug screen. AA/EOE/M/F/D/V You will be required to submit verification of your citizenship or legal right to work in the United States at the time of an offer of employment.

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