



Tim Thornhill, Chief Operating Officer

Tim Thornhill, as the Chief Operating Officer, leads the daily operations of the winery facility and the surrounding vineyards.

Tim along with his brother Tom and father Tommy Thornhill Jr. founded the Mendocino Wine Co in 2004. An experienced and visionary leader, Tim Thornhill is focused on the advancement of Mendocino County and the rebuilding of Parducci Wine Cellars as, the heart of Mendocino Wine Company (MWC). Tim is committed to growing both the prestige and quality of the Parducci brand while also maintaining an environmental stewardship mentality “I see sustainability and quality development as an evolution; we can always find room for improvement.”

Born and raised in Houston, Tim describes himself as, “starting out with a wheelbarrow and a pickup truck and working my way up.” After establishing a small landscaping business as a young man in Texas, Tim moved to Orlando, Florida in 1980 where Walt Disney World became his largest account. Following 11 years in Florida, he moved northeast to develop extensive botanical gardens for a private client. Tim’s pioneering work as an arborist and horticultural expert resulted in his mastery of a unique specialty: successfully moving very large trees. Known worldwide for his work with heritage trees, Tim consults today as a Supreme Court Certified Expert Witness in horticulture and construction.

Tim’s mastery of landscape design and wildlife restoration has been applied throughout the Parducci Wine Cellars estate. From the wetlands and ponds he designed to recycle 100% of winery wastewater, to the use of owl boxes and raptor nests to control the vineyard rodent population, Tim’s elegant solutions to real environmental problems can be seen.

Most recently, in 2012, Tim led a team to transform a five acre piece of fallow land into a thriving organic garden and orchard. During peak harvest the garden produces more than 100 pounds of fresh produce a week for employees. Though growing wine grapes and maintaining a world class wine making facility is Tim’s priority, he sees land as a precious resource. Tim has plans to evaluate growing row crops between vineyard rows and is also investigating aquaculture options for the ponds on site.