

LIVE

LOW INPUT VITICULTURE AND ENOLOGY, INC. is a non-profit organization that provides vineyards and wineries with official recognition for sustainable agricultural practices that are modeled after international standards of Integrated Production.



LIVE is the first organization in the United States to be certified by the International Organization for Biological and Integrated Control of Noxious Animals and Plants (IOBC). The IOBC promotes the use of sustainable, environmentally safe, economically feasible, and socially acceptable control methods of pests and diseases of agricultural and forestry crops. Certified LIVE members are also internationally certified by the IOBC.

Good land stewardship means **HEALTHIER VINEYARDS**. The production methods outlined by LIVE are based on the latest agricultural research available. These growing practices stress using natural methods that control weeds, minimize erosion, and reduce reliance on dangerous agricultural chemicals. Non-chemical solutions are encouraged, and the creation of riparian zones, buffers, and cover crops help to insure a healthy watershed. The ultimate goal of LIVE's environmentally responsible standards is a network of sustainable, healthy farms and vineyards.



Salmon-Safe and LIVE are partners dedicated to restoring and maintaining healthy watersheds. Salmon-Safe certification is included in the LIVE certification membership.

LIVE PROGRAM OBJECTIVES FOR A SUSTAINABLE VITICULTURE

- to* see the vineyard as a whole system
- to* create and maintain a high level quality fruit production
- to* implement practices that reduce reliance on synthetic chemicals and fertilizers with the goal of protecting the farmer, the environment, and communities at large
- to* encourage responsible stewardship of the land while maintaining natural fertility and ecosystem stability
- to* promote sustainable farming practices that maintain biological diversity in the whole farm