

Tony LeBlanc
President
Silver Oak and Twomey Cellars

After almost 40 years in the wine business, Tony LeBlanc still gets excited each year when harvest rolls around. “It’s the time of year you come face to face with Mother Nature,” he says. “The rest of the year, the environment is fairly controlled, but at harvest, you’re at her mercy.”

Since joining Silver Oak in 1992, Tony has spent his career building “controlled” environments. He is best known for steering the construction of Silver Oak’s two LEED Platinum certified facilities and has overseen winery operations for over two decades.



In 1999, the Duncan family purchased the winery in Calistoga that became the home of Twomey Cellars. Tony did due diligence on the property and was promoted to Chief Operating Officer. By that time, he also assumed responsibility for the Oakville winery. Then, when the Duncans sought out a Sonoma County facility in 2005, Tony helped oversee the acquisition and renovation of a Healdsburg winery that became the Pinot Noir facility for Twomey. With four facilities to manage, Tony was promoted to General Manager.

But it was in 2012 that Tony met the opportunity of a lifetime: to supervise the development of a new Alexander Valley winery with wine quality and sustainability top of mind. “Building green is important—but not at any cost,” he says. “For the Alexander Valley facility, every choice had to be both cost-efficient and sustainable. Simply being green makes no sense, unless other projects could follow our path and make similar choices.” The net-positive energy facility opened in April 2018 and has since been proclaimed the world’s greenest winery.

Today, as President of Silver Oak and Twomey Cellars, Tony leads the winemaking, vineyard, retail and hospitality teams and is responsible for all capital improvements and the company’s operational expenses. He is also on the board of directors for Winegrowers of Napa County and Sonoma Alliance for Vineyards and Environment.

A resident of Santa Rosa, CA, Tony and his wife, Pamela, have two adult children, and they enjoy spending time with their grandchildren. Tony holds an economics degree from the University of San Francisco.