



Schramsberg Vineyards is now being run by Jack and Jamie Davies youngest son, Hugh. Born in 1965, the year his parents Jack and Jamie Davies revived the historic Schramsberg Vineyards property in Napa Valley, Hugh was named president and CEO of the 40-year old sparkling wine house in 2005. Prior to this, he held the dual responsibilities of winemaker and general manager. He holds a master's degree in enology from the University of California, Davis, and has his undergraduate degree from Bowdoin College in Maine.



At Schramsberg, Hugh has led the ongoing effort to fine-tune winemaking and grape growing techniques, building upon the winery's venerable track record of producing award-winning sparkling wines. Schramsberg's current stable of vineyards includes more than 80 specially selected sites in the Carneros, the Anderson Valley, and along the Sonoma and Marin coasts. The winery's commitment to small lot base wine production has yielded extraordinary blending opportunity for the 8-10 sparkling blends produced each year. Over 200 lots are evaluated each year, representing many variables: vineyard, clone, vintage, barrel, stainless tank, malolactic fermentation, etc.

Additionally, Hugh was instrumental in replanting the historic hillside Diamond Mountain District vineyards adjacent to the winery in Bordeaux varietals. They are now

used by the Schramsberg winemaking team to make J. Davies Cabernet Sauvignon. From the first vintage in 2001, J. Davies has received both public and critical acclaim.

Hugh serves on the board of directors for the Napa Valley Vintners (president, 2006) and with his family, chaired the 2004 Auction Napa Valley. Hugh, along with his mother and brother, Bill, heads up the Jack L. Davies Fund, committed to carrying on efforts initiated by his father to preserve the Napa Valley for its highest uses: agriculture and wild lands.

For prior hands-on experience in the wine industry before joining Schramsberg, Hugh worked with Mœt et Chandon in Epernay; Petaluma Winery in South Australia, and Mumm in the Napa Valley, among others. His political and public service background includes work with the San Francisco Trust for Public Land and assisting California Congressman Tony Coelho in Washington, D.C.

Hugh lives on the Schramsberg grounds with his wife, Monique and his two infant sons Emrys and Nelson. He enjoys spending time with his kids, backpacking and going to the Oakland A's baseball games.

In the future, Hugh would like to continue to improve the Schramsberg and J. Davies wines. He would also like to eventually have his sons Emrys and Nelson be the third generation to run the winery.

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