

To Start

Hook & Ladder Russian River Chardonnay
paired with lobster bisque topped with Sicilian

Second Course

Hook & Ladder Russian River Pinot Noir
paired with spicy seared tuna over warm three-tomato jam
drizzled with a balsamic glaze

Third Course

Hook & Ladder Cabernet Sauvignon Third Alarm Reserve
paired with beef bourguignon over truffle potatoes

To Finish

Seasonal crème brûlée

Born in San Francisco and raised in Sonoma County, Hook & Ladder Winery principal Michael De Loach grew up in the wine business. He started working in the vineyard at age 11 and in the cellar at 15 at his family's first winery. After college, he worked as Vice President of Sales and Marketing at fledgling De Loach Vineyards, and completed courses of study in winemaking at the Napa Valley School of Cellaring, as well as the University of California at Davis Agricultural Extension. He served as president of De Loach Vineyards from 2001 to 2004.

His family sold that label and have continued their winemaking skills at the helm of Hook & Ladder Winery, their new, small-family winery that employs a simple philosophy - craft exceptional wines, from the highest quality grapes, that people love to drink.