Fine Disregard Wine Co. is a small producer located in Napa Valley. Fine Disregard is a two-person effort committed to producing wines of transparency and authenticity. Their primary concern is seeking out interesting vineyards and working with growers to farm those sites in the best manner they can. Just as importantly, they practice a philosophy of minimal intervention in our winemaking. The philosophy is girded with the practices of picking the fruit early, fermenting with indigenous yeast, and only using seasoned barrels. The resulting wines are undeniably, uniquely Californian—and utterly distinctive.

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Lost Row Syrah Napa Valley

“The Lost Row Syrah is an anomaly. Literally a single row of fewer than 150 Syrah vines, it represents a unique exception to an otherwise fairly known Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard planted along the eastern bench of Napa Valley’s famed Stag’s Leap District. Here, the valley floor abuts the base of the Vaca Mountains providing a more distinctive alluvial profile for the Bale clay loam soils. In 2000, the Lost Row was grafted with old vine Australian Shiraz cuttings rather than the more ubiquitous French ENTAV / INRA clones now predominating California vineyards.”