



FIVE STONES

VINEYARDS

*Giv'at Yeshayahu*

THE ART OF FINE WINE



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IN THE HOUR WHEN THE HOLY ONE, BLESSED BE HE, CREATED THE FIRST MAN, HE TOOK HIM AND LET HIM PASS BEFORE ALL THE TREES IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN AND SAID TO HIM: "SEE MY WORKS, HOW FINE AND EXCELLENT THEY ARE. NOW, ALL THAT I CREATED, I CREATED FOR YOUR BENEFIT. THINK UPON THIS AND DO NOT CORRUPT OR DESTROY MY WORLD. FOR IF YOU DESTROY IT, THERE IS NO ONE TO RESTORE IT AFTER YOU."

ECCLESIASTES RABBAH 7:28

## ABOUT US

Five Stones Vineyards is a vibrant hub of wine lovers, winegrowers, and winemakers alike, all of whom share a passion for the curation of quality, compromise-free wine.

No shortcuts, no detours. Only excellence.

We chose to grow our wine on lands that are saturated with symbolism – lands where that slim youth David once battled the seasoned warrior Goliath.

And the essence of this tale filters into our ethos:

*faith over might, simplicity over complexity, substance over ostentation.*





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## OUR PEOPLE

Simply put, we are a group of people with a love for wine, a group of vintners and wine-makers who combine extensive experience and an endless passion to create only the finest wines. Of international standard, our wines are infused with the values which have taken root in us, the wine people, over the years: *respect for the land, humility in the face of nature, love*

*for vines, passion for wine, and professional excellence.*

These are wines created for people, by people.

## OUR PEOPLE



### **Ilan Hasson – Co-Founder & Chairman**

A veteran of the Israeli wine industry, Ilan served as CEO of Binyamina Winery for more than two decades. He also founded the Cave Winery before deciding to step back from the wine industry and explore other avenues. But wherever he went, his deep love and passion for wine continued to burn brightly within him. And so, in 2014, in collaboration with his closest friends, Ilan founded Five Stones Vineyards. It began as a small, personal, and non-commercial project aimed at producing top-quality wine for friends, family, and fellow connoisseurs. But it wasn't long before the uniqueness, creativity, and inspiration embedded in every Five Stones Vineyard wine blossomed into unbelievable success. Now producing and exporting roughly 100,000 bottles of wine a year, Five Stones Vineyards continues to thrive.



### **Sasson Ben-Aharon – Co-founder & Chief Winemaker**

Sasson holds a master's degree in Wine Chemistry from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Faculty of Agriculture in Rehovot, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University's Faculty of Natural Sciences. Through his decades of rich, diverse experience in all aspects of the wine industry he has come to hold the post of Chief Winemaker at Israel's most prestigious wineries. A talented professional whose respect and humility belie his peerless expertise, Sasson has meticulously crafted the flavors and character of our signature wines – our pride and joy. His fingerprints are evident in every bottle that comes out of the winery and onto the shelves: select, high quality, and unique taste. Sasson is present throughout every stage of the winemaking process. From planting to ripening to preparation for the first harvest. From deciding on the harvest date to directing the right grape to the right wine. He consciously accompanies each step of the journey.



### **Avinoam "Avi" Lerner – Co-Founder**

Founder and CEO of the Hollywood production company Millennium Films, Avi previously owned Binyamina Winery and the Cave Winery. In 2014, he joined Ilan Hasson as one of the founders and entrepreneurs behind Five Stones Vineyards.

Avi is regarded as a man who perpetually strives for excellence without compromise – in his international business ventures and Five Stones Vineyards alike. His knowledge, experience, and love of wine have offered a solid foundation for the winery's success.



### **Ofra Ganor – Co-Founder**

One of Israel's most established and highly respected restaurateurs, Ofra is the owner of Tel Aviv's iconic Manta Ray restaurant. For many years, she has been co-chair of the Israel Restaurant, Cafe & Bar Association, as well as the woman behind Tel Aviv's Taste of the City Festival. She previously owned HaTaboon, Lilit, and Yona at Jaffa Port, and was the founder of the Iceberg ice cream parlor chain.

When Ofra - known for her relentless pursuit of excellence - chose to join the Five Stones Vineyards project, we saw this as an unequivocal sign of her belief in the winery's vision: uncompromising quality and a fresh market offering.



### **Amit Kaufman – Co-Founder**

An acclaimed chef with extensive restaurant experience in both Israel and France, Amit is a graduate of Le Cordon Bleu in Paris. He has become internationally known for his unique culinary style, with a particular focus on Italian and French cuisine. He is a co-owner of the Mazal Talle, Feed Your Mind, and Taam Vatzeva catering companies and has amassed decades of in-depth experience in the culinary world.

Ilan and Amit walked side-by-side for two decades through their professional careers - and so it came as no surprise when they became collaborators on the Five Stones Vineyards project. Amit's contribution is evident in many of the winery's activities, and we are thrilled about his integral role in Five Stone Vineyards.

## OUR VISION

Five Stones Vineyards was established to produce unique, innovative, and inspirational wines saturated with the values and perceptions that took root in us as wine experts over the years: *respect for the land, humility towards nature, love for the vine, passion for wine, and professional excellence.*





## THE HISTORY

“NOW THE PHILISTINES GATHERED TOGETHER THEIR ARMIES TO BATTLE, AND THEY WERE GATHERED TOGETHER AT SOKHOH, WHICH BELONGED TO JUDAH, AND SET UP CAMP BETWEEN SOKHOH AND AZEKAH, IN EPHESDAMIM. AND SAUL AND THE MEN OF ISRAEL WERE GATHERED TOGETHER, AND SET UP CAMP IN THE ELAH VALLEY, AND PREPARED FOR THE BATTLE AGAINST THE PHILISTINES. AND THE PHILISTINES STOOD ON THE MOUNTAIN ON THE ONE SIDE, AND ISRAEL STOOD ON THE MOUNTAIN ON THE OTHER SIDE; AND THERE WAS A VALLEY BETWEEN THEM.”

SAMUEL I, 17:1-3

Five Stones Vineyards is located in Tel Azekah in the Elah Valley, in the region of the mythological battle between David and Goliath in 1010 BCE. The Elah Valley is at an important crossroad between the coastal plains and Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Due to its geographical and agricultural advantages, it was already populated in Israel's tribal period. The valley is long and narrow with fertile soil and a high precipitation level, which combine to create an ideal habitat for the growth of quality vines. With its expansive green spaces, diverse abundance of wildflowers, lush surrounding forests, and impressive archeological sites, Elah Valley is one of the most beautiful natural spaces in Israel.

## OUR VINEYARDS

Five Stones Vineyards homes its top-quality grapes on the abundant, breezy peaks of the Elah Valley. The unique temperature and fertile, alluvial soil of these lands form the perfect natural bed for old, established vines to yield particularly pungent fruit.

The location of our unique vineyards was consciously chosen for its terroir, to meet the optimal requirements of the vines. It was selected with the same precision, creativity, and wisdom as David when choosing his weapon against Goliath – the weapon that transformed his seemingly minor skill into his greatest advantage.





## CLIMATE

THE VINEYARDS ARE IN A REGION THAT ENJOYS TEMPERATE WEATHER: COLD, CRISP WINTERS, WARM SUMMER DAYS, AND COOL, BREEZY NIGHTS. THIS RESULTS IN PHENOMENAL PHENOLIC RIPENING AND IMPRESSIVE ACIDITY.

## RAIN

IN WINTER TIME - OCTOBER TO MAY - THE VINEYARDS ENJOY AN AVERAGE PRECIPITATION OF 500MM. THE VOLUME AND DISTRIBUTION OF RAIN THROUGHOUT THIS PERIOD ALLOW FOR THE VINES TO GROW WITHOUT HINDRANCE FROM THE START OF SPRING, WELL INTO THE SUMMER..





## WIND

DURING THE COOL SUMMER NIGHTS, WINDS BLOW BETWEEN THE ROWS OF VINES, MINIMIZING HUMIDITY AS THE HARVEST DATE APPROACHES. THIS ENHANCES PHENOLIC RIPENING AND ACIDITY.

## SOIL

THE VINEYARD IS PLANTED IN AERATED, MINERAL-RICH CLAY SOIL WHICH HAS HIGHLY EFFECTIVE DRAINAGE CAPACITY. THIS OFFERS AN EXCELLENT ENVIRONMENT FOR VINES AND THEIR ROOTS TO THRIVE.



## OUR GROWERS

The Tamir family - our dedicated wine growers at Five Stones Vineyards - tend to the vines and grape clusters with loving, meticulous, and uncompromising care, similar to that bestowed upon children by their parents.

With more than three decades of harvesting behind them, the winegrowers have created a unique terroir based on soil, climate, and experience which is magnificently reflected in the quality and flavors found in all of our wine labels.

The vineyards are filled with a diverse range of wine grape varieties, such as Merlot, Petit Verdot, Shiraz, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Viognier, Chardonnay, Carignan, White Riesling, Gewürztraminer, Pinot Noir, Roussanne, Marselan, Alicante Bouschet, Semillon, Chenin Blanc, and Sauvignon Blanc.





## OUR WINES

Our spirit of endeavor is rooted in gentle, loving manual labor guided by the values and perceptions instilled in us as wine experts over the years. Our faith in the path we have chosen has resulted in the curation and production of top-quality wines to which we devote meticulous attention and care. All of our unique wines reflect the spirit of the vineyards, the winemaker, and the deep love that brought them to fruition.

Our wines are made by people, for people.

**All our wines are Kosher for Passover all year around under the following supervision:**





## MONARCHY

This flagship wine, our pride, and joy is a magnificent representation of the Cabernet Sauvignon variety's dominant character. Monarchy is exclusively produced in select vintage years when the grapes harvested from our vineyards are of the most exceptional quality. This uniquely harmonious, perfectly curated wine undoubtedly represents the pinnacle of our winery.

By bringing together a mature vineyard, first-class vintners, and professional wine-making capabilities, we have harmoniously developed a wonderful wine that exemplifies the uncompromising quality we stand for. The variety's unique attributes have only been enhanced using hand-selected grapes from mature, low-yield vines. This has enabled us to produce an elegant, impressive wine with distinctive aromas and flavors.

The wine has an aging potential of at least 15 years.

The wine is made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon grapes, grown in a small block of mature vines. Deep red, with a full body, the wine offers rich aromas of raspberry, cassis, toasted oak, vanilla, tobacco, and coffee. Its elegant structure includes complex and dominant notes of ripe and delicate fruit, as well as smooth tannins. The wine's long, complex finish testifies to its excellent aging potential.





## VIRTUOUS

A perfectly harmonious wine with an impressive intensity that reflects the vineyard's terroir. The grapes are grown in a densely populated vineyard which yields low crops of concentrated fruit and intense color, reaching optimal ripeness when harvested.

Virtuous is a red wine that constitutes a unique and integrative blend of four choice wine varieties – Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec, and Petit Verdot.

This wine reflects the exceptional quality of each variety in a glorious blend of flavor, deep color, and dominant aroma.



## 5X5

This unique red wine series is produced in a limited quantity of 1,500 bottles per year. It represents the fruit of five selected Mediterranean grape varieties, aged in five wine barrels, each of which contains 225 liters. The exquisite result embodies the many benefits of our local soil and climate.

The 5x5 wine is produced from each variety's most outstanding barrels, blending classic Mediterranean varieties from our Elah Valley vineyards. This singular creative blend, mirroring the marvelous local terroir, produces a powerful wine with deep color, juicy red fruit aromas, and long aging potential. The wine is aged in used French oak barrels that preserve the dominant fruit flavors while enabling the wine to develop under optimal conditions.





## NOBILITY 215a

The rich and full-bodied wines under the Nobility label offer pure pleasure with each sip. Meticulous attention to phenolic ripening in the vineyard results in a top-quality vintage that manifests as a balanced, elegant, and intense product. Aged in French oak barrels until fully ripe, the Nobility wines never fail to impress.

**Nobility 215a Red:** A red wine in the prestigious Nobility range that offers a rich and dominant flavor experience. Nobility 215a is the result of a clever combination of terroir, meticulous care in the vineyard, and winemaker professionalism. It has a deep purple color and reflects the four flavors of the varieties in the blend – Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot, and Cabernet Franc – emphasizing the best attributes of each one. The wine is aged in French oak barrels, both new and used, allowing for optimal maturation.

**Nobility 215a White:** An impressive white wine with an elegant presence and a wealth of flavors. Chardonnay grapes make up more than 90% of this wine, finished with a touch of Sauvignon Blanc. The wine undergoes fermentation and aging in oak barrels, where it develops impressive fruit flavors, minerality, and a trace of oak aroma.

*\*\*\*The name 215a was added to the Nobility label in memory of Sergeant Maj. Yitzhak Tamir, brother of our winegrower Shmuel Tamir, who was killed in the Yom Kippur War (1973) in Sinai. 215a was Yitzhak's radio code when he served as commander of a unit that rescued and saved many injured soldiers in the battlefield.*



## DVSG

A soft, elegant, and complex wine with a Mediterranean character that reflects the terroir of its growing region, Tel Azekah. Its meticulous production process is evident in each sip.

**DvsG Red:** A red wine in the winery's first wine range. It is a blend of Shiraz, Marselan, Carignan, and Petite Sirah grapes from Elah Valley vineyards. The innovative blend of Mediterranean varieties with this terroir results in a wine with an intense, deep color that gives rise to an aroma of vines overflowing with juicy, red fruit. The wine is aged in French oak barrels - 70% used and 30% new - which preserve the fruit's dominance and allow optimal conditions for the development of the wine's flavor.

**DvsG Rosé:** A wine with a fresh Mediterranean character, presenting a winning combination of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon grapes, harvested by hand during August. Its seductive peachy hue and strong floral aroma blend in beautiful harmony, yielding soft, fruity flavors and pleasant acidity.





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**DvsG Dry White:** A white wine produced from mostly Chenin Blanc and some Roussanne grapes, harvested by hand during August. The wine's floral aroma blends well with soft fruity flavors and pleasantly refreshing acidity.

**DvsG Aromatic Dry White:** A white wine in the winery's first wine range. It is a fresh-bodied and aromatic wine that reflects the optimal blend of Gewürztraminer and Sauvignon Blanc grapes. This creative combination results in a wine with balanced acidity backed by a mild sweetness. Its light aroma emphasizes the natural grape fragrance and brings out the wine's elegant, classic flavor.



## HANDCRAFTED SPIRITS

The winery founders approach has served as inspiration in the production of traditional alcoholic beverages such as whisky and cognac. Production is based on the values that guide us in all our endeavors: *a love of nature, a passion for creation, and uncompromising professionalism.*

## FIVE STONES COGNAC

The Five Stones XO Cognac bore witness to another world, a different era. When the youngest eau-de-vie in this cognac was distilled, the Cold War was still making headlines. This unique cognac has aged alongside the growing friendship between Five Stones Vineyards founder, Ilan Hasson, and Hervé Bache-Gabrielsen, a fourth-generation vintner who took the reins of his family's cognac house in 2009.

**Our Cognac is Kosher for Passover all year around under the following supervision:**





## IMPERIAL COGNAC

Some of our cognacs have been aged for more than 40 years in the distillery's cellars. This impressive limited edition leaves you certain of its undoubtedly supreme quality and quintessential elegance.





## XO COGNAC

A cognac for connoisseurs, matured and aged at the Bache-Gabrielsen distillery in France's Cognac region, carrying with it distinctive flavors and qualities from decades past. It blends Colombard, Ugni Blanc, and Folle Blanche grapes from selected Grande and Petite Champagne vineyards in the Cognac region. The cognac is distilled in a Bain-Marie still pot, following a secret recipe that has been passed down for more than four generations at the distillery, boasting a worldwide, leading-quality reputation. This blend combines special varieties grown in the unique local terroir, creating a distinctive, rare product with notes of dried and candied fruits, rich flavors, and a lasting smoothness on the palate. The combination of varieties introduces extraordinary power while also striking a harmonious balance within the blend. Today, after aging for 30 years in the distillery's cellars to achieve the ideal balance of flavors, we present this to you with immense love and pride. This cognac was produced under strict kosher supervision.



## OLIVE OIL

Next to our vineyards on the slopes of the Judean Hills, we planted our olive groves from which our extra virgin olive oil is extracted.

This olive oil proudly bears the quality mark of Israeli olive oil given under the supervision of the olive branch in The Plant Production & Marketing Board of the Ministry of Agriculture.

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## FIVE STONES GIFT COLLECTION

Five Stones Vineyards' unique and exclusive Gift Collection has the perfect gift for any occasion. Wine sets and Cognac collections, each hand-selected by our wine experts, make the ideal gift for anyone who loves to explore the world of wine.



## FIVE STONES GIFT COLLECTION

Whatever your preference or budget for your wine choice, we can create the ideal selection of gifts for you. Our variety of excellent wines makes the perfect gift for you or your loved ones.







## FIVE STONES AWARDS & ACCOLADES

Five Stones Vineyards reveal impressive wins for their top quality wines over the years. Their wines are emerging as one of the best wine producers in the Israeli Wine Market and the International Kosher Wine Market.

### AWARDS IN 2020

Terravino Gold Medal - Virtuous 2016

Terravino Gold Medal - Virtuous 2017

Terravino Double Gold Medal - Virtuous 2018

Terravino Best Boutique Winery - Between 10,000 to 100,000 Bottles 2020

### AWARDS IN 2022

Terravino Gold Medal - Virtuous 2018

Terravino Gold Medal - Virtuous 2019

Terravino Double Gold Medal - Monarchy 2018

Terravino Double Gold Medal - Five Stones Cognac xo



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