



Mario Mazza, Mazza Vineyards

Originally from North East, PA, Mario grew up in a small family winery but started his career as a chemical engineer. He quickly moved on to study oenology at the University of Adelaide in South Australia where he obtained his

MS. While living in Australia, he found valuable experience in both the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa Valley before returning to the Lake Erie Region to rejoin his family and Mazza Vineyards.

Since 2005 he has worked with his family to develop the company with the addition of two wine brands: Mazza Chautauqua Cellars and the South Shore Wine Company. In addition to wine, the Mazzas have expanded into both the craft spirits and beer arenas with Five & 20 Spirits and Brewing located in Westfield, NY – becoming New York’s first combination winery/distillery/brewery. Today Mario oversees operations as Vice President and General Manager while still remaining active with his production teams in all three product segments.