



# Vinagium LLC Benton City, WA Casey Brush Summer 2014

- **The Company**

- **Founded in 2005**
- **Two Vineyards**
  - **Red Heaven and Scootenev Flats**
- **Located on Red Mountain**
- **Philosophy of using the diverse terroir of Red Mountain to bring out unique flavors**

- **Responsibilities performed**

- **Leaf sampling**



- **Collecting 50 to 100 leaves per block**
- **Ensuring a random selection of leaves**
- **Correctly labeling each blocks sample**

- **Cluster counts**

- **Counting each grape cluster on a vine**
- **Selecting 20 random vines per block**
- **Recording counts for each block**



- **Flagging rows**



- **Inspecting each row for areas of low vigor**
- **Determining which areas can be helped by additional fertilizer**

- **Inspecting vines**

- **Observe for abnormalities on vines such as:**
  - **Discoloration of leaves**
  - **Lack of fruit**
  - **Small canopy**
- **Done consecutively with other tasks**
- **Report observations to head viticulturist**



- **Summary**

- **Working for Vinagium for two months has been a great opportunity for me to gain experience in the field of Viticulture. At the beginning of this internship I had virtually no experience in a vineyard, and I have been able to gain a significant amount of knowledge that applies to real world viticulture. In order to be successful in a career in viticulture and enology, I plan to continue to others working in the industry. doing work similar to this to gain more experience and make connections**