

## Mario Geisse

*Head Winemaker, Casa Silva*

Mario discovered his passion for wine at an early age. When he was 10 years old he had the chance to help a small vintner vinify his own craft wine, in the small town of Til Til, located on the northern edge of Santiago.

Once he discovered his passion, there was no stopping him. He studied Agronomy at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, focusing on sparkling winemaking. His mentors are Alejandro Hernandez and Philippe Coulon.



Mario has been the winemaker at Casa Silva since the first day the family decided to bottle their own estate wines in 1995. He believes that good winemaking is to produce wine with respect for the grape's potential and its characteristics, 100% naturally. He is driven to constantly improve quality and the desire to create something different than anything that's been done.

He spends most of his spare time reading and walking, and loves to ride his bike through the vineyards.