

Sannino's Bella Vita Home Winemakers' Center—

the newest and most exciting wine experience on the North Fork of Long Island. Bella Vita Vineyard is where wine lovers can become part-time vintners. Learn the vine to wine process—resulting in a custom barrel of wine to share with family and friends. This is a perfect opportunity for you to produce and label your own wine to be given as a favor for a special event, corporate gathering, or for your own wedding. And of course, what you put on your label is up to you.



What We Do...

Our goal is to provide the equipment, knowledge, and premium grapes to help you produce the best wines possible. In the fall, you will join us for a grape selection and harvest fest at Bella Vita Vineyard in Cutchogue. Here you will begin your hands-on winemaking



process. There are four mandatory winemaking sessions, as well as, one wine tasting class given by a local Long Island winemaker. Educational viticulture sessions will be included.

Session 1:

Your freshly picked grapes will be crushed, destemmed, and begin the fermentation process.



Session 2:

One week later, members will return to press their grapes and fill a barrel of their choice.



Session 3:

A few months later, members will learn how to clarify and stabilize their wine in preparation for bottling. At this time, custom label designing and developing will take place.



Session 4:

Shortly before year-end, members will meet eagerly to bottle, cork, and label what we anticipate to be another award winning wine.



About Us...

We are the first Home Winemakers' Center on the North Fork of Long Island in Cutchogue. Our intimate interactions in the wine world began 15 years ago as home winemakers seeking any source of education to produce the best possible wine.

I am Anthony Sannino co-owner and the center's leading winemaking instructor. I began my formal education in Enology and Viticulture at the University of California, Davis. As a venue for additional education and experience, I have been a frequent volunteer at many of the local North Fork wineries and learned winemaking, as well as viticulture practices. I am continuously learning the newest techniques and winemaking methods and keeping abreast of the latest winemaking equipment. As a result of many years of practice and study, I have received several State, National, and International awards for many of my wines.

My wife, Lisa Sannino, is the co-owner and founder of Bella Vita Home Winemakers' Center. She shares in my passion for wine education and the joy of winemaking. Lisa has a MBA from Adelphi University, a Masters Certificate in Human Resources, and an undergraduate degree in Business Economics. She has developed an exceptional program for our members to learn the whole vine to wine process.

Anthony & Lisa Sannino