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Wisconsin uncorks the wines of JAQK Cellars

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Starting up a winery is on the bucket lists of many.

But this Fond du Lac native actually did it.

Joel Templin, who now lives in San Francisco and co-owns a branding and graphic design firm called [Hatch Design](#) with clients like Starbucks and Apple, partnered with two others to form [JAQK Wine Cellars](#) in 2008.



JAQK Cellars wines, produced in San Francisco by Fond du Lac native Joel Templin, recently arrived in Wisconsin.

Each vintage contains grapes carefully sourced from well-known vineyards in Sonoma and Napa, including Chardonnay, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Sauvignon Blanc. Craig MacLean and Katie Jain (his partner at Hatch) are Templin's partners. Serving as JAQK Cellars' winemaker, MacLean got his start as a harvest intern at Chappellet Vineyard in Napa Valley, moving on to become assistant winemaker under the highly acclaimed Bob Foley at another Napa winery (Markham Vineyards).