

A **New Grape Grower Workshop** will be held on Friday, March 9th from 8 AM to 5 PM as part of the new Eastern Winery Exposition (EWE) at the Lancaster Marriott Hotel and Convention Center in Lancaster, PA. This workshop is intended as a one-day, intensive overview of what is needed to start a commercial wine vineyard in the Eastern U.S. Topics include: grape varieties, clones, and rootstocks, marketing wine grapes, vineyard economics, site selection and preparation, vineyard design and development, equipment and supplies, training and trellising, plant materials, new vine cultivation including disease, weed and pest management. It is an ideal course for anyone considering starting a vineyard or someone who has a new vineyard. Instructors are Dr. Joe Fiola (Univ of Md), Mark Chien, Dr. Noemi Halbrendt, and Dr. John Halbrendt (Penn State). Click [HERE](#) for registration materials, [full program](#) and [course information](#). Cost is \$125/person. Participants will receive a 15% discount towards your EWE registration.