

Lead Sales Representative, NY/NJ

Five Grapes, LLC, a leading wine importer and distributor, is seeking qualified a sales manager for Southern California and Las Vegas.

This position is designed for an experienced sales representative or an ambitious industry professional who is ready for the next step. Relationship building and time management will be critical to the success of this role. The ideal candidate is based in New York City and is comfortable navigating the market and spending additional time in New Jersey as needed. These territories are emerging for our company and there is significant growth potential.

We specialize in bringing distinctive wines from the world's most prominent growing regions to restaurants, retailers and entertainment venues nationwide. Five Grapes offers a full range of wine selections, including back-vintage and collectibles, quality keg wines and highly desirable labels at every price point.

Responsibilities

- Develop and sell to existing and new accounts within a large territory; Strong emphasis on opening new accounts while maintaining existing accounts both on and off premise
- Respond promptly to customer inquiries and business matters in a professional and knowledgeable manner
- Demonstrate consultative sales abilities through successful tastings, needs analysis and follow through
- Schedule and conduct wait staff training seminars, wine dinners and in-store tastings
- Recommend, create/design wine lists and wine by the glass programs utilizing full knowledge of portfolio
- Participate in ride-alongs with management and work-withs for visiting suppliers
- Work flexible hours to coincide with the buyer's availability and demands of the business
- Submit customer orders and job-related reports in accordance to company policies
- Communicate effectively with management in regards to your accounts and leads

Qualifications

- Minimum 3 years of industry and/or wine sales experience.
- Comprehensive understanding of wine to include regions/varietals, product/food pairing techniques, basic production and service
- A valid driver's license, proof of state registration and insurance and an acceptable driving record where needed. Vehicle not required.
- Lift and carry a 45+ pound case of product on a regular basis.
- Must be at least 21 years of age
- Goal oriented, focused and assertive individual who can thrive with minimal supervision

Preference given to candidates with certifications and/or previous wine sales experience.

Open to brokers if the fit is right.

Five Grapes offers a competitive compensation package that includes base salary, commissions, expense allowance and comprehensive benefits.

Please submit both a resume and cover letter to amy@fivegrapes.com. No resumes will be accepted without a cover letter and only candidates who are being considered will be contacted. Thank you.