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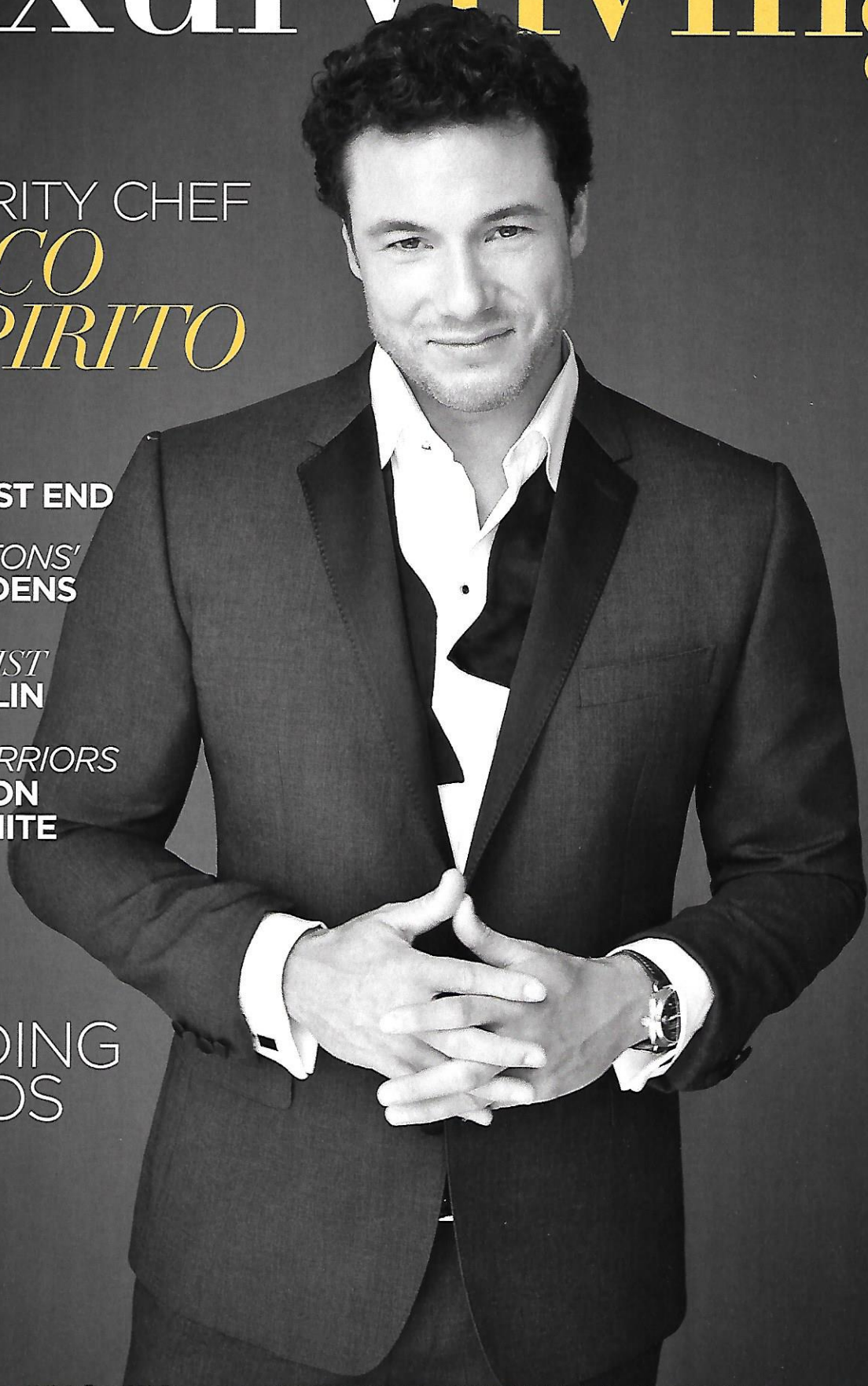
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# FOR THE LOVE of WINE

*Crosby Roamann founders continue to be inspired*

By Jason Feinberg

When Sean McBride's uncle learned that his nephew was leaving the film and television industry to practice law, he invited him to join his firm in Bridgehampton. The idea was for the two of them to develop real estate in the Hamptons. Little did he know that McBride was developing dreams of his own.

At that time, McBride and his wife, Juliana, were producing wines in their spare time at White Rock in Napa Valley, a hub for young winemakers. It wasn't until 2010, when they had their first vintage in bottle and two more in barrel, that they decided to sell it. And that's when the idea of the Crosby Roamann winery was born, named after McBride's grandparents.

The allure of working in Napa and making wine full time could not be denied. The couple left their jobs in Manhattan, sold their apartment, loaded up the old Volvo station wagon, strapped their twin baby daughters into the back seats and drove out to California to make a go of it.

"It was the concept of terroir—that wine tastes different based on growing conditions and where it's grown—that inspired us,"

says McBride. "We want our wines to reflect the soul and substance of the places from which they come."

Today, Crosby Roamann produces 1,000 cases per year entirely from sustainably farmed, family-owned vineyards throughout Northern California. The luxury wines are handmade, with the greatest care and attention to detail in every aspect of the craft. The grapes are picked by hand at dawn, when the vineyards are still cool, and then sorted entirely by hand. The red wines are also pressed by hand, using an old basket press and aged in barrels for six months to three years.

"It's a labor of love," McBride continues, "but this hands-on process is what creates wine that truly has character and history."

Long Islanders can enjoy Crosby Roamann wine at such restaurants as Prime in Huntington, Insignia Prime Steak & Sushi, Mannino's Italian Kitchen, Mannino's Restaurant and Tellers. It is also available for purchase online at [crosbyroamann.com](http://crosbyroamann.com) or at

Wine Society in Greenvale, Wines on Main in Bay Shore, Wine Depot in Islip and Amagansett Wine & Spirits. **LL**

