



Sara Fasolino

BEVERAGE SYSTEMS MANAGER
MORTON'S RESTAURANT GROUP, INC

Sara Fasolino is the Beverage Systems Manager at Morton's The Steakhouse and is recognized in the industry as a Certified Sommelier by the Court of Master Sommeliers, Certified Specialist of Wine by the Society of Wine Educators, and as an Advanced Mixologist. Fasolino's role with Morton's includes overseeing the restaurant's beverage inventory for all Morton's locations, serving as the restaurant's liaison with Court of Master Sommeliers, and managing all educational and training materials related to the restaurant's wines, liquors and beers.

During Fasolino's tenure and under her direction, more than 100 Morton's managers have passed the Introductory Sommelier exam with the Courts of Master Sommeliers. In addition to Fasolino's operation and training roles, she also travels regularly on behalf of Morton's for various wine and spirit events as well as wine-maker dinners that benefit major charitable partners.

Although Fasolino's initial interest in the beverage category began with simple wine pairings she made while a student in college, she now works with the philosophy that a beverage program cannot live on wine alone—experts need to have a knowledge of all beverages as well as an ability to analyze the numbers and use them to help drive the program.

Fasolino's experience in the restaurant industry dates back to her college years in Ohio where she was a server in an area restaurant. Upon graduation from Marietta College with a bachelor's degree in psychology, she worked with a beverage marketer and distributor in

Ohio before relocating to Chicago in 2005.

Originally from Buffalo, New York, Fasolino has been with Morton's The Steakhouse working in its global headquarters since 2007.

