



Nihar Bhatt
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer



As Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Nihar Bhatt brings two decades of strategic finance, operational, and M&A leadership to North America's premier luxury wine company. Drawing on extensive experience in global consumer brands, retail, and the beverage sector, Nihar is playing a key role in advancing The Duckhorn Portfolio's next chapter of growth, while ensuring that it remains anchored in financial discipline, trust, and an unwavering commitment to excellence.

As CFO, Nihar leads the company's finance and accounting, financial planning and analysis, strategy, M&A, and IT functions. He also provides executive oversight for financial controls, treasury, and risk management, ensuring strong fiscal governance to support the company's long-term objectives. His leadership combines strategic rigor with a collaborative, forward-looking mindset that supports operational excellence and sustainable value creation. Guided by a deep appreciation for Duckhorn's legacy of craftsmanship and integrity, he helps ensure the company is positioned for continued success as it begins its second half century in business.

Prior to joining The Duckhorn Portfolio, Nihar served as Chief Financial Officer at TOMS Shoes, where he oversaw finance, strategy, and capital-structure optimization. Before TOMS, he was CFO of healthcare company Alto Pharmacy, where he led finance, strategy, and corporate development, helping guide its expansion and doubling revenue. Earlier in his career, Nihar held leadership roles that bridged finance and operations at both established and high-growth companies, including serving as Vice President of Finance for Constellation Brands' Wine & Spirits Division, where he supported a \$3 billion multi-channel, multi-geography business. Nihar began his career at Pepsi Beverages Co., where he established a foundation in finance, operations, and analytics that continues to inform his innovative approach to financial leadership.

Throughout his career, Nihar has been recognized for his ability to drive performance through both disciplined execution and an empowering, people-centric leadership style. His strategic vision bridges the financial and operational dimensions of growth, creating organizations that are efficient, dynamic, and capable of delivering sustained value. At The Duckhorn Portfolio, he is instrumental in integrating financial strategy with operational priorities, ensuring that financial rigor supports long-term excellence and brand leadership in the luxury-wine segment.

Reflecting on his role, Nihar said, "I am excited to be a part of such a dynamic and innovative company and to return to my passion for the luxury wine industry. I have long admired The Duckhorn Portfolio and its world-class collection of wineries and look forward to working alongside Robert Hanson and the executive team as we build an even brighter future together."

A graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles (MBA) and California State University, Fullerton (BA in Business Administration), Nihar brings an expansive understanding of global consumer markets to his role as CFO, as well as a deep appreciation for the craftsmanship that defines the luxury-wine category. Through his blend of financial expertise, operational insight, and collaborative leadership, Nihar continues to strengthen The Duckhorn Portfolio's foundation of trust, quality, and excellence, ensuring the company remains the benchmark for luxury wine in North America. When he is not travelling for work, Nihar can be found running from one sport or activity to another with his two boys.