

## VERMONT WORKING LANDS ENTERPRISE INITIATIVE

# Vermont Table Company

East Burke, VT

Vermont Table Company is the culmination of years of experience, a good idea, and an enduring friendship. Middlebury College friends from day one, they have always been a great team. Doug is a master craftsman, a tinkerer and an idea guy; Dena loves chatting with people, creating order from chaos and sweating the details. They share a common unerring work ethic and possess a similar sense of humor. Based on these complementary qualities we established Vermont Table Company.

At the heart of their business is an understanding of how important it is to pause, take a look around and recognize life's big and small moments. They have chosen to live here in Vermont with their families because they appreciate the slower pace of life, and feel inspired by the natural beauty of their surroundings. They channel this sentiment into their work and capture a sense of place in each table we create.

Vermont Table Company's distinctive tables start in the forest and mountainside, come together in their woodshop in East Burke, and are then shipped directly to their client's doorstep. By embracing the natural beauty of wood and stone, their tables stand out in the crowd, while standing the test of time.



The funds will be used to purchase an Epilog Laser Machine—the Zing 24, 30 watt. Vermont Table Company's goal is to bring their essential laser engraving in house, which was currently being outsourced. By operating this machine themselves, they gain control of the engraving process, saving travel, time and money, and therefore increasing efficiency and profits.

Total Working Lands Grant: \$8,922

Total Matching Funds: \$2,963