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2018 GRENACHE, MENDOCINO



TASTING NOTES

Slightly darker in color than the 2017, this grenache delivers exotic and alluring aromas of fresh raspberries and orange peel. The wine is lively and light on the palate, with an acidity that refreshes and supports the fruit flavors from the front to the back. Black cherry, strawberry, and a subtle zestiness linger on the finish. Serve slightly chilled on a warm summer evening or pair with your favorite fall dishes.

VINEYARDS

We source our grenache from two vineyards, separated from each other by only a few miles. Both sites enjoyed a measured, uneventful growing season and were harvested within days of each other. We worked closely with the growers to regulate crop size, allowing each vine to carry only as many clusters as could perfectly ripen.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were de-stemmed and moved to a combination of neutral oak and stainless steel fermenters. We employed a 15 day low temperature fermentation in order to extract as much of the bright fruit flavors and aromatics as possible. The wine from both vineyard sites was kept separate until the final wine was blended and returned to barrels for two months prior to bottling.

Winemaker: Sarah Vandendriessche
Appellation: Mendocino
Harvest Date(s): 10/16
Bottling Date: 8/22/19
Alcohol: 14.1%
Barrels/Aging: 6% New French Oak,
94% Neutral French Oak