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THE STORY 2017



This Grenache-dominated blend shows finesse and balance in its youth. Varietals are grown in the Willow Creek District on the westside of Paso Robles. The terroir is of a higher elevation, calcareous and limestone-rich with strong oceanic influences from the Pacific. The vineyards thrive with a diurnal shift in temperature of up to 30 °F from morning to night during the growing season. The interplay of this region's minerality, fruit-forward flavor, acidity and spicy aroma is of incredible note.

WINEMAKING

Varietals were handpicked in September and October at the peak of flavor ripeness and phenolic maturity. Grapes were carefully cluster sorted, 100% destemmed and fermented in stainless steel. After a cold maceration, élevage included daily punch-downs, pump-overs and délestage. The wine rested for 20 months in 80% once-used French oak and 20% neutral French oak before being bottled on June 11, 2019.

APPELLATION

Paso Robles Willow Creek District

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

83% Grenache, 17% Syrah

TECHNICAL DATA

pH 3.6
TA 6
Alc. 15.1%
Retail: \$48
Cases 88

FOOD PAIRINGS

Beet salad
Traditional Spanish paella
Rosemary lamb chops
Rabbit, chorizo, gigante bean cassoulet
Moroccan chicken tagine
Aged cheese and charcuterie

TASTING NOTES

Aromas of sweet and spice dance back-and-forth in this Grenache blend. The Story is all about smooth versatility while offering a full body that will burst with flavors of berry tart and ripe red fruit. The finish is both extended and with a touch of baking spice. Pleasureful and extremely food-friendly.

RATINGS

91 pts, Wine Enthusiast | "Fresh yet dark blackberry aromas meet with lilac and black plum on the nose of this bottling, which is bolstered by 17% Syrah. The palate is ripe and thick yet tethered to solid tannins, allowing creamy flavors of black plum and blackberry to converge with leather and roasted meat. " – Matt Kettman

91 pts, Jeb Dunnock | "The Story offers a ripe, sweet nose of plums, bay leaf, incense, and candied blood orange. This carries to a medium to full-bodied blend that's fruit-forward and has ripe, polished tannins, a good mid-palate, and a solid finish."