



Opolo

2022 SANGIOVESE PASO ROBLES

Opolo Sangiovese is a vibrantly flavored wine that pays homage to this great Tuscan varietal, combining Old World style with a Paso Robles flair.

VINEYARDS

The 2022 Sangiovese comes from our Quinn East and Nichols East estate vineyards in the Estrella District. Here, the exposed rolling hills, warm Mediterranean weather and persistent sunlight allow the Sangiovese fruit to develop a classic Tuscan style: delicate color, vibrant acidity and fine tannin structure. This wine also incorporates Sangiovese fruit from Creston Ridge Vineyard in the El Pomar District and Barbera grapes from Steinbeck Vineyard in the Geneseo District. The Creston Ridge Sangiovese brings a bright complexity to the wine, while the Steinbeck Barbera provides a pop of color and acidity.

WINEMAKING

After harvesting, the fruit was cold soaked for two days for gentle extraction of color and flavor. Winemakers James Schreiner and Skye Bruce then conducted fermentation with a Tuscan isolate yeast, drawing out ample fruit and varietal character. Fermentation was split between stainless steel tanks and small bins with twice-daily punchdowns. The individual lots were aged for five months prior to blending, and the final blend was returned to barrels for another four months of maturation and integration. The final blend included 20 percent press wine, which brought enhanced density and weight to the pure, bright flavors of the free-run wine.

WINEMAKERS' TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Sangiovese opens with high-toned aromas of raspberry jam, floral sandalwood, summer herb and white pepper spiciness. The mouthfeel is soft and elegant, showing classic varietal flavors of cherry, oregano and tangy tomato. Subtle earth and wood tones linger on the finish with spicy, food-friendly acidity. A spot-on Paso Robles rendition of a classic Italian grape.

Composition	92% Sangiovese 8% Barbera
Appellation	Paso Robles
Aging	9 months in American oak barrels (30% new)
Analysis	TA 6.0 g/L pH 3.49 Alcohol 14.3% Cases Produced 2,076