FEBRUARY 2025 TASTING NOTES

RED WINES

4, 6, & 12 mixed wine and red wine only selections

2023 MOUNTAIN ZINFANDEL 100% ZINFANDEL | PASO ROBLES, CA

Our Mountain Zinfandel is now 25 vintages strong with the release of this latest edition! True to form, the 2023 vintage is loaded with trademark Mountain Zinfandel style—rich, bold, and delicious, drawing from our estates and other vineyards across Paso Robles. The nose is flush with cherry, mulberry, and Mexican chocolate. Smooth flavors of plum, black raspberry, cola, and cedary spice unfold into an expansive and engulfing palate. Hints of peppery spice emerge on a rich, viscous finish. You will love this delectable wine with cheeseburgers, roast beef, lamb chops, and winter stews—or on its own by the fireside.

Drink now or cellar up to 5 years.

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2022 ZINFANDEL - RESERVE COLLECTION 95% ZINFANDEL, 5% PRIMITIVO | PASO ROBLES, CA

As longtime champions of Paso Robles Zinfandel, it's only fitting that we put our all into this special reserve bottling. This wine is drawn from our estates and other favored sites across the region, and it represents a curated barrel selection to reflect the best of the vintage. The 2022 vintage opens with ripe plum aromas, accented by dried rose petal, dusty chapparal, and black pepper. The palate is broad and beautifully weighted, delivering deep flavors of dark blue fruit, cherry, cranberry, anise, cedarwood, and eucalyptus. Brambly tannins and chai spices cascade into a rich, saturated finish. Savor this Zinfandel with Italian flatbreads, tri-tip, and barbacoa beef.

Drink now or cellar up to 5 years.

6, & 12 mixed and red wine only selections

2022 MALBEC

76% MALBEC, 14% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 10% SYRAH | PASO ROBLES, CA

The 2022 Malbec is our own distinct expression of this classic Bordeaux grape, made to emphasize the softer textures and plush, mouthfilling flavors that come from the terroirs of Paso Robles. The bouquet presents a rush of violet, plum, boysenberry, and graphite with notes of toasted oak. Juicy blackberry, black cherry, and raspberry flavors are entwined with suggestions of tar, oak, and vanilla cream. Fine acidity adds length to a juicy, sustained finish. This wine is a great match for steak tips, eggplant dishes, roast turkey breast, and blue cheeses.

Drink now or cellar 2-3 years.

2022 WILLOW CREEK MERLOT - RESERVE COLLECTION

94% MERLOT, 4% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 2% MALBEC | WILLOW CREEK DISTRICT, PASO ROBLES, CA

The 2022 Reserve Merlot is a limited-production wine that comes from our Quinn West and To The Moon estates in the coastal mountains of the Willow Creek District, where conditions are ideal for growing remarkable Bordeaux-style wines. This Merlot is a barrel selection that underwent extended aging in the finest French oak barrels. Aromas of earthy blackberry, cassis, and black olive waft from the glass. The mouthfeel is buoyant and lifted with flavors of cherry, cola, and loam. Vibrant tannins linger into sleek, expressive conclusion. Enjoy this beautifully crafted Merlot with pan-seared duck breast, bacon-wrapped filet mignon, and hearty casseroles.

Drink now with a 30 minute - 1 hour decant or cellar 5-7 years.

WHITE WINES

4, 6, & 12 bottle white wine only selections

BLANC DE BLANCS 100% CHARDONNAY | CENTRAL COAST, CA

Back by popular demand! Our smash-hit Blanc de Blancs, crafted in the classic "Méthode Champenoise" style from coastally grown white grapes led by Chardonnay. Like the great sparklers of Champagne, France, this wine underwent secondary fermentation in the bottle to ensure optimal complexity and mouthfeel. The result is a lively sparkling wine with a fine balance of brightness and roundness, providing the perfect celebratory "pop" for celebratory moments. This latest limited release presents fresh, floral aromas of pear, hazelnut, and brioche. The palate is expansive with citrus and golden apple, finishing with tangy acidity and an undercurrent of creaminess. This is a versatile Brut wine that makes an easy match for appetizers and hors d'oeuvres.

4, 6, & 12 bottle white wine only selections

2023 VIOGNIER - 100% VIOGNIER | CENTRAL COAST, CA

The 2023 Viognier offers floral spice aromas with notes of peach, pear, honey, and Crenshaw melon. A round, viscous mouthfeel displays tropical flavors with suggestions of nectarine and refreshing lemon citrus. The rich mid-palate gains energy with bright acidity on the finish. Fermented predominantly in stainless steel, with a small portion fermented in French oak barrels for enhanced complexity.

6 & 12 bottle white wine only selections

2023 ALBARIÑO 100% ALBARIÑO | EDNA VALLEY, CA

The 2023 Albariño is profoundly aromatic with scents of star fruit, white peach, kiwi, and sea spray. The palate is impeccably weighted, displaying electric flavors of green apple, nectarine, exotic citrus, and herbal spices. Racy, minerally textures finish with a refreshing elegance. A standout vintage and a surefire hit for lovers of Albariño.

Tasting Panel - 93pts | Wine Enthusiast - 92 pts, Editors Choice