

# SEPTEMBER 2025 TASTING NOTES

## RED WINES

*4, 6, & 12 bottle mixed and red wine only club members*

### **2023 RHAPSODY - RESERVE COLLECTION**

**67% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 15% MALBEC, 9% CABERNET FRANC, 7% MERLOT, 2% PETITE VERDOT | WILLOW CREEK DISTRICT, PASO ROBLES, CA**

Rhapsody is Opolo's signature Left Bank-style cuvée, driven by Cabernet Sauvignon and blended with four classic Bordeaux varieties: Malbec, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, and Petit Verdot. As one of our first Opolo Reserve releases from the stunning 2023 vintage, this wine lives up to the hype with heady aromas of plum, cherry, cigar box, black olive, cocoam vanilla and oak. Freshly layered red fruits engulf the palate with trailing suggestions of blackberry, tobacco and mint leaf. Fine textures and firm tannins bring the wine to an impressive conclusion. This age-worthy blend will benefit from decanting or simple aeration when consumed in its youth. Pair with filet mignon and rack of lamb.

**Drink now or cellar up to 5 years.**

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### **2023 SANGIOVESE- 98% SANGIOVESE, 2% GRENACHE | PASO ROBLES, CA**

Paso Robles flair meets Italian style in our 2023 Sangiovese, which reflects a banner vintage here on the Central Coast. We have been growing this Tuscan variety for many years and this is one of the best renditions yet. Aromas of rose petal, raspberry and black cherry reveal undertones of fresh oak. A juicy mouthfeel is beautifully integrated with flavors of cranberry, currant and Montmorency cherry. Suggestions of dried Mediterranean herbs lend complexity to an energetic finish. A true food friendly wine that you'll love with pizza, pomodoro pasta and barbecued chicken.

**Drink now or cellar up to 5 years.**

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### **2022 PETITE SIRAH - RESERVE COLLECTION**

**100% PETITE SIRAH | PASO ROBLES, CA**

The 2022 Petite Sirah Reserve comes predominantly from our estate To the Moon Vineyard in the Willow Creek District, with the balance coming from Shell Creek Vineyard in the eastside Highlands District. Aromas of boysenberry, cherry cola, leather and vanilla are accented by notes of dried summer herbs. The palate is soft and broad with seamlessly integrated flavors of black raspberry, mulberry and plum skin. Hints of savory pepper spice emerge on a smooth, supple finish. A fine pairing for short ribs, beef stew and hearty pasta dishes.

**Drink now or cellar 2-3 years.**



*12 bottle club members*

## **2022 SERENADE** – 56% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 36% MALBEC, 8% SYRAH | PASO ROBLES, CA

Serenade is our proprietary Bordeaux-style blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec, and in 2022 this also included a dash of Syrah for added dimension. This wine offers a heady bouquet of violet, red currant, cherry and caramel with suggestions of pencil lead, tobacco, vanilla and black olive. The textures are bold and structured, presenting a lively cascade of red fruits with accents of plum, black cherry and blueberry, all framed by seamless notes of toasted oak. Bright tannins bring lift and length to a delicious finish. A great match for cheeseburgers, lamb chops and beef tips in gravy.

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

## **WHITE WINES**

*mixed wine & white wine club members*

## **2023 ALBARIÑO** -100% ALBARIÑO | CENTRAL COAST, CA

The 2024 Albariño is a blend from Paso Robles and the nearby ultra-coastal Edna Valley, which has become an epicenter of California Albariño. The Edna Valley fruit provides a cool-climate base of fresh acidity and crisp flavors, while the Paso Robles fruit delivers an expansive mouthfeel. The nose is floral with jasmine, pear, citrus and mineral notes. Bright flavors of lime, pineapple and nectarine are balanced by viscous textures, all finishing with zestful acidity and lingering hints of green apple. Perfect for lime chicken tacos, tapas and shellfish.

**Drink now.**

*white wine club members*

## **2023 VIOGNIER** - 100% VIOGNIER | PASO ROBLES, 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.

**Drink now.**

*white wine club members*

## **2022 RESERVE WILLOW BLANC** - 69% VIOGNIER, 31% ROUSSANNE | WILLOW CREEK DISTRICT, PASO ROBLES, CA

The 2022 Willow Blanc is fresh and assertive with aromas of melon, peach, honeycomb, pear, white flower and green herb. Crunchy acidity and fleshy phenolic textures flood the mouth with pineapple, citrus, honeydew and vanilla. The finish is punchy and electric with lingering notes of Roussanne-derived viscosity.

**Drink now.**

