

2020 ESTATE ZENITH CUVÉE

PASO ROBLES CALIFORNIA

TASTING NOTES

Our estate grown Zenith Cuvée is a big, extracted version of a Bordeaux-style blend that expresses the true terrior of the Midnight vineyards. With incredibly dark and drawn color, and varietally true aromas of dark berries, pine needles, and leather that express themselves in vibrant layers. The flavors are complex red and black fruit, flint, minerals, and dried herbs that are coalece and integrated. Widely regarded as our best wine year to year! Pair with any dishes you would make for your favorite Cab blend. Drink now through 2030.

| ACCOLADE | 92 Wine Enthusiast 90 Wine & Spirits |
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| WINEMAKER | Rich Hartenberger |
| VARIETAL COMPOSITION | 48% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Merlot, |
| | 15% Petit Verdot, 15% Malbec |
| COOPERAGE | 50% neutral French oak |
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| AGING | 36 months |
| рН/ТА | 3.55/ 0.66 g/L |
| RESIDUAL SUGAR | 0.9 g/L |
| ABV | 15.0% |
| PRODUCTION | 99 cases |



VINTAGE NOTES

Despite receiving not quite average rainfall this winter, some of the later rains and the cool spring buoyed an early burst of growth on the vines. Even with the record-breaking heat as we entered harvest, our vineyard received little supplemental irrigation throughout the summer as our vine canopies matured and slowed without intervention. Harvest 2020 was a bit of a sprint. Starting a tad earlier and ending in early November, this vintage was one for the books which resulted with wines complex in both composition and flavor.

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