

2019 SAN SIMEON PASO ROBLES STORMWATCH



Region/Vintage Notes

Our 2019 Stormwatch is a Bordeaux red blend in the truest sense, combining the five noble grape varietals including Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Malbec. The fruit was harvested from our estate vineyards in Paso Robles, including the Pretty Penny, Maddalena and Stefano vineyards in the El Pomar AVA and Riboli Creston Vineyard in the Creston AVA. These are prized vineyards, featuring a variety of well-drained, rocky soils and a warm climate tempered by cool afternoon and evening breezes. The 2019 was relatively cool in Paso Robles, giving the grapes ample time on the vine to develop color and flavor. We picked the fruit for the 2019 Stormwatch over a period of more than two weeks beginning the second week of October and finishing in late October.

Winemaker/Tasting Notes

Harvested in small lots and kept separate through fermentation and aging, the components of our 2019 Stormwatch matured for 18 months in 89% French oak barrels. We conducted trial blends over several months, settling on a foundation of 42% Cabernet Sauvignon with lesser amounts of Petit Verdot, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Malbec. The black-violet hue of this complex wine is a tip off to the aromas of blackberries, black currants and dark plum that arise from the glass. The powerful mid-palate reveals similar fruit flavors joined by dark chocolate and vanilla with a touch of thyme. Earth, oak and spice notes add to the appeal of this well-balanced red wine, which ends in a persistent finish and warm, silky tannins.

Sustainability

Sustainability is our top priority. Our Paso Robles and Monterey vineyards are certified sustainable by CSWA. At our sustainable Paso Robles winery, solar panels provide 100% of the needed electricity, and wastewater is effectively reclaimed and recycled for additional uses.



91 POINTS
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Cellar Selection



Technical Information

Appellation
Paso Robles

AVA
El Pomar
Creston District

Oak
89% New French Barrels
11% Neutral Barrels

Aging
18 Months

Vineyards
Stefano ●
Pretty Penny ●
Maddalena ●
Riboli Creston ●

Clones
9,12, 337, 346, 400

Varietal Breakdown
42% Cabernet Sauvignon
19% Petit Verdot
15% Merlot
13% Cabernet Franc
11% Malbec

Alcohol
14.9%

pH
3.76

