

GRENACHE

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Known in its original country of Spain as Garnacha, this grape variety has flourished in climates akin to that of its homeland. Particularly, in the warm Mediterranean climate of France's Southern Rhône Valley and to our benefit, the California coast. Grenache thrives along our coast, well suited for our summer warmth and cool ocean breezes.

The 2017 Grenache was produced from grapes grown in our oldest estate Grenache block, Mariposa F. These vines were grafted in 1991 onto rootstock that was originally planted in 1973. The maturity of these vines combined with slightly reduced yields in 2017, produced a wine with an expressive bouquet, complemented by a graceful palate. The aromas are pure and focused, displaying notes of ripe strawberry, tea, dried rose petals, and raspberry liqueur. Fine-grained chalky tannins seamlessly integrate with flavors of pomegranate and raspberry preserve. The fresh acidity aids in carrying out persistent flavors of dried bay leaf, nutmeg, and tart cherry.

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APPELLATION:
Santa Ynez Valley

COMPOSITION:
97.8% Grenache, 2.2% Syrah

AGING:
15 months in neutral French
oak

ZACA MESA VINEYARDS:
Block | Mariposa F

pH|TA:
3.34 | 0.597g/100mL

ALCOHOL:
14.9%

