

VIOGNIER

2019 VIOGNIER

CUSHMAN BLOCK

Indigenous to the Rhône Valley of France, Viognier is a beautifully aromatic varietal that we are proud to have in our portfolio. With a climate similar to that of the Rhône Valley, we find that Viognier grows on our estate in such a superb fashion to make for an especially captivating wine.

Our 2019 vintage marks the first vintage wherein we specified a singular vineyard block – the Cushman E block – and chose to showcase the distinct flavors and characteristics of this beloved block. In Zaca Mesa’s infancy in 1973, the original rootstock bore Chardonnay grapes. Viognier was grafted on this rootstock in 1997 and has been its home ever since. Within the Cushman E block, we pick at varying brix ripeness levels to layer in vivid notes of citrus, stone fruits, and floral to create a captivating final blend. The intense aromatics and flavor profiles signature to Viognier develop in this block at lower brix levels, allowing us to pick earlier and consciously balance the alcohol, acid, and flavors. As a result, a complexly delicious wine emerges.

A dynamic balance of fresh fruit, floral notes, and minerality, our 2019 Viognier is sure to please quite a range of palates. Electric notes of white flower, nectarine, and tangerine skin meld with piquant ginger and wet stone. Showing the perfect amount of tension, the palate is laced with fresh acidity and a lengthy mineral-focused finish. Vibrant flavors of peach, lemon crème, and crush shale provide a delectable equilibrium in this delightful vintage.



APPELLATION

Santa Ynez Valley

COMPOSITION

100% Viognier

ALCOHOL

14.2%

VINEYARDS

Blocks | Cushman E

RESIDUAL SUGAR

Dry

PRODUCTION

775 cases

WINEMAKING AND VINEYARD TEAM

Kristin, Randy, Agustin, Ruben, José, Ramirez & Marlisa

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