



2020 TOYON

The name Toyon is derived from a native shrub found growing in the sandy hills and terraces that surround our beautiful vineyard. The Toyon is blended using a unique combination of grape varietals grown on and off our estate, creating a seamless wine that is unlike anything else we produce.

Zaca Mesa Vineyard: Situated less than 30 miles from the Pacific Ocean, our vineyard is composed mainly of free-draining Chamise soils. These shallow soils are found on dissected terraces and eroded hillsides with elevations between 1300 and 1500 feet above sea level, creating the perfect site within the Santa Ynez Valley for growing world-class Rhône varieties.

Bursting with fruitiness, the 2020 Toyon jumps out the glass with ripe blue and black fruit, accompanied by the luscious aroma of marionberry compote. An intensity of a “fruit bomb” but under that herbal rosemary can be found. For the palate, the wine expresses a delightful medley of muddled blackberry and blueberry flavors, complemented by the presence of dark cherry notes. The supple tannins lend a smooth texture to the wine, and finish with savory herb undertones. A perfect companion for BBQ gatherings, the 2020 Toyon shines alongside brisket, grilled steak tacos, and smash burgers. It’s fun and approachable nature is matched with a delightful “oomph,” making it a crowd pleaser that appeals to fans of different red wine styles and varieties.

APPELLATION

Santa Ynez Valley

COMPOSITION

39% Grenache, 33%
Syrah, 23% Mourvèdre,
5% Cinsault

AGING

19 months, neutral
French oak

VINEYARDS

Zaca Mesa Cushman F,
Mesa C/B, Chapel E

ALCOHOL

14.8%

PRODUCTION

351 cases

WINEMAKING AND VINEYARD TEAM

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