

PATELIN DE TABLAS
2022



The Tablas Creek Vineyard Patelin de Tablas is a Paso Robles take on a classic Rhône blend: Syrah, Grenache, Mourvèdre, Counoise, and Terret Noir. The wine incorporates fruit from several of the top Rhône vineyards in Paso Robles, each vineyard selected for its quality. Like many red wines from the Rhône Valley, it is based on the dark fruit, mineral and spice of Syrah. To that Syrah, we incorporate the brightness and fresh acidity of Grenache, the structure and meatiness of Mourvèdre, and small additions of Counoise for complexity and Terret Noir for spice.

TASTING NOTES

A nose of licorice and crushed rock, blackberry, soy, and sweet tobacco. On the palate, black raspberry and mineral flavors with a Syrah-driven pancetta-like meaty note. The finish is deep and long, with bright acids, chalky tannins, and a chaparral-like wild herb note that reverts finally back to the licorice note the wine started with. Complex and lingering. Drink now and over the next decade

PRODUCTION NOTES

Grapes for the Patelin de Tablas are sourced from five regions in Paso Robles. Three are limestone-rich: the warmer, higher-elevation Adelaida District near Tablas Creek, the cool, coastal-influenced Templeton Gap to our south, and the moderate, hilly El Pomar to our south-east. These regions provide structured, mineral-laced fruit and excellent acidity. We also source fruit from the warmer heartland of the Paso Robles AVA: the Estrella and Geneseo Districts, whose mixed sandy loam soils produce juicy, vibrant Syrah.

The 2022 vintage was our third year of drought, but because the rain that we received came early, the vines showed good health though with cluster counts down by about 15%. A cool first half of the summer was followed by our hottest-ever August and September, producing an early start and an even earlier finish to harvest. The vintage's extremely low yields produced concentrated flavors, noteworthy texture, and intense fruit.

All varietals for the Patelin de Tablas were fermented in a mix of upright oak fermenters and stainless steel tanks and aged in 1500-gallon oak upright tanks for another six months before bottling in July 2023.

VINEYARD SOURCES

- 27% Syrah from Westside Ranch (Adelaida District)
- 22% Syrah and Mourvedre from Nevarez (Estrella District)
- 14% Grenache and Syrah from Rails Nap (Geneseo District)
- 13% Grenache from Beckwith (Adelaida District)
- 11% Mourvedre and Grenache from Hollyhock Vineyard (Templeton Gap)
- 6% Grenache from New Creations (El Pomar District)
- 3% Counoise from Red Door Ranch (Templeton Gap)
- 3% Syrah from Velo (Templeton Gap)
- 1% Grenache and Terret Noir from Tablas Creek Regenerative Organic Certified™ estate vineyard

APPELLATION

Paso Robles

BLEND

54% Syrah
29% Grenache
13% Mourvedre
3% Counoise
1% Terret Noir

13.0% Alcohol by Volume
3877 Cases produced

FOOD PAIRINGS

- Grilled meats
- Pastas with meat sauces
- Roast pork loin
- Beef stews
- Beef or pork stir fries