2019 WESTWOOD TWENTY-ONE RED BLEND ANNADEL GAP VINEYARD, SONOMA VALLEY, SONOMA COUNTY



Tasting Notes

Displaying cool climate attributes of crushed granite, smoked bacon and blackberries, the 2019 benefits from an increase in whole cluster from the Syrah, and just the right amount of new French oak barrels. Full-bodied, seamless and showing perfect balance now, but the structure to age another 15 years.

Vineyard

The Annadel Gap Vineyard is a special place. Our site is characterized by thick morning fog and strong afternoon winds. Alluvial, glacial, and sedimentary influences create a wide array of soil types. Ideal growing conditions, varied soils, and our minimal-impact farming methods yield precise, balanced fruit.

Winemaking

Each cluster was hand-harvested at night, hand-sorted, then the Syrah and Grenache lots were fermented individually in open top tanks and the Mourvedre in French oak puncheons. Averaging 30% whole clusters, and a 3-day cold soak, the wine remained on skins for 19 days, then basket pressed and aged in French oak barrels for a total of 18 months – approx. 65% new oak, 35% 2-3 years old oak.

Farming

Biodynamic, Organic, Sustainable

Varietal

72% Syrah, 14% Grenache, 14% Mourvedre

Clones:

Annadel Gap Vineyard, clones Tablas Creek, 877, 369

Production:

175 cs.

Technical:

pH 3.86 **TA** 5.5 g/L

Harvest 9/23/19, 10/14/19

Brix 24.7 ABV 14.8%

