



2020 'DENNER VINEYARD' GRENACHE

- 100% GRENACHE
- WILLOW CREEK DISTRICT - PASO ROBLES, CALIFORNIA
- AGED IN 50% NEW AND 50% NEUTRAL FRENCH OAK BARRELS FOR 18 MONTHS
- ALC. 15% BY VOL.
- 112 CASES MADE
- STRAWBERRY, CHAPERAL, ROSE OIL
- 94 POINTS, EDITORS' CHOICE - WINE ENTHUSIAST

This Grenache varietal comes from Denner Vineyard in the Willow Creek District of Paso Robles. Planted in the early 2000s, the vineyard quickly established itself as a premier site for high-quality grape growing. We set our sights on Denner Vineyard due to their exceptional focus and expertise in Rhône varietals, particularly Grenache and Syrah.

The vineyard's Mediterranean climate, characterized by hot days and cool nights, is ideal for the cultivation of these grapes. This temperature variation allows for the perfect balance of sugar and acidity in the grapes, leading to wines with exceptionally dense flavor profiles.

The soils at Denner Vineyards are diverse, and combined with the sloping hillsides of the vineyard, provide excellent drainage and mineral complexity, contributing to the depth and character of the wines. Denner Vineyards is also known for its sustainable farming practices. The vineyard team employs organic and biodynamic principles, focusing on soil health and vine balance, which ensures the production of high-quality grapes.

To ensure quality vintage after vintage, as vines need to be replaced, Denner Vineyard is notable for its "Mother Vine" program, where cuttings from the most successful and healthy vines are used to propagate new plants. This practice ensures a consistent quality and character in the grapes, as well as strong resilience to local climatic conditions.

"Fresh strawberry and light carnation aromas meet with dewy chaparral scents on the nose of this single-vineyard expression. Herbal tones play more loudly on the palate, giving detailed elegance to the rose oil and baked strawberry flavors." — Matt Kettmann, *Wine Enthusiast*

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