

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

WINE CO.

2018 Sunhawk Farms “Big Sun Energy” Grenache



Grapes: 100% Grenache

Vineyard: The 8 acres of grapevines found at SunHawk Farms were planted twenty years ago by John Schaeffer, a pioneer of natural products and solar energy, who bought the 300-acre property and built an ideal retreat up the mountain next to Duncan Springs Peak.

John's Demeter-certified vineyard includes a 17th-century inspired lavender labyrinth at the top of the vineyard, a 2,500 tree olive orchard and 4 blocks of mixed (predominantly Rhône) red and white grape varieties planted on volcanic and serpentine soils. John and foreman Manuel Nunez are committed to developing and maintaining a biodynamic and self-sustaining ecosystem. Vines are treated with herbs, minerals and manure, much of which is sourced from the property itself.

AVA: Mendocino

Method: The fruit underwent carbonic maceration for two weeks and was then foot crushed. The fruit received daily pumpovers during primary fermentation, followed by 4 weeks of extended maceration, for a total of 8 weeks on the skins. The fruit was then pressed and the wine was raised in mixed (225L and 500L) neutral oak barrels /puncheons for 10 months. Racked once to tank for blending 4 weeks prior to bottling. As always, unfined, unfiltered, and zero sulfur.

ABV: 13%

Case Production: 204 cases

Bottling Date: May 2019

Release Date: January 2020