

84% Cinsault, Estate 14% Syrah, Estate 2% Grenache, Estate

Alcohol: 13.3% **pH** 3.95 **TA** 4.5 g/L **Production 698 cases**

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2023 Estate Cinsault Los Olivos District

A wine with aromas & flavors that remind us of the south of France.

This fascinating wine is from our Estate-grown vineyard located in the heart of the Los Olivos District appellation. It is 84% Cinsault, 14% Syrah and 2% Grenache. In Chateauneuf-du-Pape Cinsault typically plays a smaller role in providing aroma, spice, and verve to these legendary wines. This is our 5th vintage of just this varietal, and we love how fruity, fresh, and drinkable this wine is, and we recommend chilling it slightly before serving.

Vineyard Regions: Los Olivos District

Vintage Conditions: Santa Barbara County harvest began about a month later than in 2022. The harvest was long and slow as mild temperatures persisted. We were delighted with the quality of the grapes as extended hang time added to the complexity of the wines. The winter rains percolated the soil and salts that had accumulated in the soil, allowing the vines to access previously tied-up nutrients. Harvest for most varietals was almost a month behind "normal". We are convinced this will be one of the best harvests in recent memory.

Maturation: Fermented whole berry for aromatics, then pressed after slightly sweet to finish and mature for 10 months in various cask sizes that are seasoned and neutral including a large French oak foudre, puncheons, and barriques.

Color: Dark blue and purple hues.

Aroma: Bright aromas of fresh dark berries mixed with a rusticity of saddle and Santa Barbara garrigue and wild sage.

Palate: Refreshing and bright black fruits. Plush, delicious, round, and fresh with a full rich mouthfeel. It has flavors and aromas that remind us of Beaujolais and pairs well with Mediterranean cuisine.