

ST. AMANT

2018 BOOTLEG PORT

AMADOR COUNTY



THE VINEYARD

Our estate vineyard is situated in the Jackson Valley of the Sierra Foothills at the western edge of Amador County. This distinct vineyard site features are well drained alluvial sandy loam soils that produced well-structured wines with good acidity.

In 1995 we began the process of replanting our vineyard and expanding our focus on Portuguese grape varieties. Specific rootstocks and clonal material were selected and a Vertical Shoot Position trellis was employed. The vineyard is carefully farmed to produce the highest quality grapes. Yields typically range between 2.0 – 4.0 tons/acre.



WINEMAKING STYLE

A blend of six traditional Douro Valley Portuguese varieties – Bastardo, Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Cao, and Souzao all grown in our Sierra Foothill vineyard. Each variety is individually harvested at optimal maturity, hand-sorted, destemmed and crushed to open-top fermenters. A relatively light but perfect harvest for all six varieties delivered incredibly intense flavor-packed grapes. In early 2019 we carefully tasted each variety and constructed a blend to balance the rich fruit against the heavily structured Tinta Roriz and acidic Souzao. After blending, the wine aged untouched until bottling un-fined and un-filtered in March 2020.

AWARDS

DOUBLE GOLD (99 PTS)—CA STATE FAIR WINE COMPETITION
DOUBLE GOLD—SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE WINE COMPETITION
GOLD (90 PTS)—SUNSET INTL. WINE COMPETITION

STATISTICS

Varietals: Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Cao, Souzao, Bastardo

Harvest Dates: 9/5/18-10/24/18
Alcohol: 18.5%
Residual Sugar: 8.0%
UPC: 705619024118

Bottling Date: 3/7/20
Production: 150 Cases
Suggested Retail: \$18.00