

# ADELAIDA

## CARIGNAN

DON JULIETTE VINEYARD - PASO ROBLES

2017

AROMA	Dried cherry, licorice, anise, cranberry sauce
FLAVOR	Budding rose, pomegranate, fresh cranberry
FOOD PAIRINGS	Tunisian style braised veal cheeks; carnitas tacos with pico de gallo; garlic rubbed crispy bread with fresh tomato and Serrano ham slices
VINEYARD DETAILS	Don Juliette Vineyard   1600 - 1850 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida has seven organically-farmed vineyards in the coastal influenced Santa Lucia Mountain Range on the west side of the Paso Robles AVA. Situated on steep hillsides, these sites lie within the Adelaida District, a sub-appellation in the northwest corner of the wine region. With elevations ranging from 1400 - 2050 ft, limestone subsoils, and extreme diurnal temperature swings, averaging 45 degrees, Adelaida produces wines with distinct expressions of their site.

2017 brought a late winter storm track with a warming spring and an early bud break. This was a labor-intensive year for the in-house vineyard crew, utilizing organic farming protocols. Late summer heat maximized fruit ripeness. The fruit was picked at night, de-stemmed and quickly followed by optical sorting and foot treading. Fermentation proceeded in concrete tanks with indigenous yeast cultures. The wine matured in a combination of new and neutral French oak barrels.

This unique varietal brings a bright and complex symphony of fruit, spices, and mouth-watering savoriness. The bouquet opens with a crisp note of dried cranberry fruit and raspberry tea, followed by spicy notes of cinnamon and star anise. The palate shows bright balanced acidity, notes of fresh cranberry sauce, pomegranate, and rosebud, and finishes long with rich flavors of savory mushroom and smoked Parmesan cheese. Enjoy now through 2023.



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<b>VARIETAL</b>	Carignan 100%	<b>COOPERAGE</b>	French oak (35% new) for 18 months
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14.2%	<b>RELEASE</b>	Fall 2020
<b>CASES</b>	318	<b>RETAIL</b>	\$45.00

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