

ADELAIDA

GRENACHE

ANNA'S ESTATE, ADELAIDA DISTRICT - PASO ROBLES

2017

AROMA	Blackberry jam, Full Grain leather, Black pepper
FLAVOR	Cranberry, Paprika, Full Grain leather, grilled meats
FOOD PAIRINGS	Provencal style braised beef (Daube de boeuf); French onion pizza; wild mushroom risotto
VINEYARD DETAILS	Anna's Estate Vineyard 1595 - 1935 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida has six 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.

In 2017 an early bud break was brought on by a late winter storm that was followed by warm spring temperatures. The late summer heat made for a labor-intensive year for our in-house vineyard team. A stretch of 100 plus degree days led to low yields in the vineyard that ultimately concentrated the flavors in the small berry clusters. 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 50% concrete and 50% neutral French oak barriques and puncheons.

Grenache is the “rustic cousin” of Pinot Noir, meaning it shares characteristics but is not related. This wine boasts a lighter body than Syrah or Mourvèdre and has a distinct ruby and fuschia color. The nose boasts loads of licorice and blackberry jam and is emphasized by spicy notes of black pepper and paprika. The palate does not lack acidity but is bright with dried cherry, raspberry, licorice, and hints of grilled meats. Drink now through 2027.



VARIETAL	Grenache 100%	COOPERAGE	Aged in French oak and concrete for 18 months
ALCOHOL	15.1 %	RELEASE	April 2020
CASES	286 cases	RETAIL	\$40
