

ADELAIDA DISTRICT

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SYRAH SIGNATURE

ANNA'S ESTATE VINEYARD

2018

AROMA	Dried violet, Blueberry, Mocha, Charcuterie, Star anise
FLAVOR	Blackberry jam, Sassafras, White pepper, Sweet soy
FOOD PAIRINGS	Rosemary and Sage encrusted grilled rack of lamb; Hungarian-spiced creamy mushroom soup
VINEYARD DETAILS	Anna's Estate Vineyard 1400 - 1695 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida has five 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 feet, limestone subsoils, and extreme diurnal temperature swings, averaging 45 degrees, Adelaida produces wines with distinct expressions of their site.

The 2018 growing season progressed with brisk spring winds, elevated summer temperatures, and cooling throughout the harvest months of September and October. All these factors led to an even ripening and high fruit quality. The few heat events we did have throughout the summer created an intense color in the pigmented varietals. Harvest months cooled off and allowed these varietals to recover and develop intense flavors. 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 wine is dark, earthy, brooding, and undeniably delicious. An opaque black velvet hue draws you in to reveal densely-packed aromas of fresh blueberry, grilled meats, and sassafras root. On the palate, this wine's flavor is best defined as concentrated and full-bodied, with notes of blackberry jam, white pepper, and licorice. This fantastic offering will continue to reveal its secrets for years to come. Drink now through 2027.



VARIETAL	Syrah 96%, Viognier 4%	COOPERAGE	Barrel aged for 18 months in French oak (60% new)
ALCOHOL	15.2%	RELEASE	Fall 2021
CASES	344	RETAIL	\$75
