

ADELAIDA DISTRICT

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CARIGNAN

DON JULIETTE ESTATE VINEYARD

2018

AROMA	French lavender, Cranberry, Nutmeg, Marjoram
FLAVOR	Bing cherry, Pomegranate, Root beer, Licorice
FOOD PAIRINGS	Eggplant Parmigiano; Bourbon and Dijon mustard-glazed pork loin
VINEYARD DETAILS	Don Juliette Vineyard 1600 - 1850 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 was marked by 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.

This unique varietal brings a bright and complex symphony of fruits, spices, and mouth-watering savoriness. It is occasionally described as a hypothetical melding of the elegance of Pinot Noir with the robust heartiness of Petit Sirah. The bouquet opens with a bright high-toned note of dried red (Cranberry and Raspberry) fruits and herbal tea, followed by spicy notes of cinnamon and star anise. The palate shows bright with balanced juiciness, notes of freshly picked cherries, fresh fennel, and rosebud. This both robust and polished rendition finishes with a rich medley of savory umami-loaded flavor. Drink now through 2024.



VARIETAL	Carignan 100%	COOPERAGE	Aged for 18 months in neutral oak
ALCOHOL	14.7%	RELEASE	Fall 2021
CASES	212	RETAIL	\$45
