

# ADELAIDA

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ADELAIDA DISTRICT - PASO ROBLES

2017

AROMA	Freshly crushed blackberries and black cherries, vanilla-mocha, sweet pipe tobacco
FLAVOR	Ripe black cherries, blackberry liqueur, mocha, vanilla bean
FOOD PAIRINGS	Chipotle burgers with avocado salsa; balsamic glazed flank steak rolls; vegetable Ratatouille; venison stew with sautéed porcini mushrooms
VINEYARD DETAILS	Adelaida District   1400 - 1695 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida has seven sustainably-farmed properties in the coastal influenced Santa Lucia mountain range on the west side of the Paso Robles appellation. Situated on the steep hillsides, these sites lie within the Adelaida District, a sub AVA in the northwest corner of the wine region. Elevation (1500-2000 ft.) slope, chalk rock sub soils (calcareous limestone) and extreme diurnal temperature swings (averaging 45 degrees) produce wines with distinct expressions of their terrior.

The growing season for 2017 started off with our first significant rain event in five years. The weather showed normal progression for Paso Robles with warm days and cool nights, ideal conditions for vine development. Following veraison, the region experienced a number of heat spikes which created dehydration in some of the clusters, calling for a high degree of selectivity in the vineyard and winemaking. Fruit was picked at night starting in the second week of October. The grapes were cluster sorted and de-stemmed, before being passed through the optical sorter to remove any shriveled berries. Fermentation began utilizing the indigenous yeast in a combination of concrete tanks, large oak foudres, and barriques. This was followed by a short maceration and finished in 40% new French oak for 20 months.

Suave and immediately engaging, the wine's ruby gemstone color draws you close to aromas of soft blackberries, with complementary notes of allspice, vanilla bean and sweet mocha. Rounded textures characterize the mouth-feel with moderate tannins and the persistence of ripe berry flavors extend through the long finish with impressions of mocha and vanilla bean. Enjoy now through 2025.



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<b>VARIETAL</b>	Cabernet Sauvignon 100%	<b>COOPERAGE</b>	Aged in French oak (40% new) for 20 months
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14.8%	<b>RELEASE</b>	Fall 2019
<b>CASES</b>	2,200 cases	<b>RETAIL</b>	\$50

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