Tannat

2012 • HUERHUERO • PASO ROBLES

Tannat is a variety emanating from the southwest region of France near the base of the Pyrenees and into the Basque region. It is known for its high concentration of procyanidins (which have been shown to increase cardiovascular benefits), color and tannins in the finished wine. For these reasons, Vina Robles has been blending a small percentage of Tannat into our Cabernet Sauvignon - Estate. While the variety can often show aggressive astringency when grown in many regions, we have found that it exhibits a fleshy richness and balance when grown in our estate vineyards. As such, we singled out a small lot offering from our Huerhuero Vineyard to showcase its exceptional qualities as a standalone wine.

The grapes were handpicked in the cool of the morning and sorted in the vineyard. They were gently crushed and then allowed to ferment in small stainless steel tanks. Various extraction techniques were implemented during the progressive stages of fermentation to enhance fruit flavors and balance mouthfeel. The wine was then transferred into barrels to complete malolactic fermentation and spent 20 months in oak barrels.

**Tasting Notes**

**COLOR:** Dark garnet

**AROMA:** Dried cherries and plums with hints of savory spice

**TASTE:** Medium-bodied with rich, sweet tannins; moderate acidity and a velvety finish

**Recommendations**

Serve at 62° – 65° F

Enjoy now through 2023

Store in dark dry place at 55° – 65° F

Pairing suggestions: Venison with chestnuts and red cabbage

**Technical Notes**

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**AGING:** 20 months in French and Hungarian oak barrels

**BOTTLEING DATE:** 06.11.14

**RELEASE DATE:** 04.03.15

**CASES PRODUCED:** 238

**ALCOHOL:** 15.3%

**PH:** 4.00

**TOTAL ACIDITY:** 6.2 g/L