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RED WINE California

COELHO WINERY

2016 Red Blend Tradição

Tasting Notes

This blend of six relatively unknown grapes indigenous to Portugal is a deep ruby red with a nose of earth and leather followed by a floral note (like lilies) with a hint of marzipan. A touch of leather and spice frames the palate of sweet plum fruit that will pair nicely with anything off the grill, mushroom risotto, or even a great pot of beans. Tradição, meaning Tradition in Portuguese, is a highly versatile food wine.

Winemaking Notes

The six kinds of grapes were transported in a refrigerated truck from the vineyard to the winery, where we processed them just like we do Pinot Noir. After destemming, we did six separate whole-berry fermentations at hot temperatures with twice-daily punchdowns. We pressed all the lots together into oak barrels, half French oak and half Virginia oak. A quarter of the barrels were new. The wine aged for 14 months in barrel. Composition: 25% Touriga Nacional, 22% Tinta Roriz, 15% Souzão, 13% Touriga Francesa, 13% Alvarelhão, 12% Tinta Cão.

Vineyard Notes

Silvaspoons Vineyard is a 300+ acre vineyard in the Alta Mesa sub-AVA of Lodi AVA. Located near Galt, CA between Lodi and Sacramento, this vineyard sees some of the hottest and driest weather in California, perfect for ripening grapes that need heat to mature. Grower Ron Silva supplies us with the Portuguese varietals that make up our Port-style dessert wines and our Douro-style red blend, as well as Petite Sirah and from time-totime, Barbera.

Technical Notes

Harvest Date	September 2016	Alcohol	13 %
Brix at Harvest	22.5 - 24.5	рН	3.99
Bottling Date	January 2018	ТА	5.0 g/l
Cases Produced	261		

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