

MAHA



"I loved the 2020 Understory, a gorgeous blend of 34% Grenache, 33% Carignan, 32% Mourvèdre, and what the estate calls "1% Magic." Fermented with a touch of stems and aged 22 months in barrel, it has a brilliant perfume of kirsch and blackberry fruit as well as freshly ground pepper, spring flowers, and hints of background meatiness. This carries to a full-bodied, ultra-polished, and flawlessly balanced red with no hard edges, a vibrant, pure, elegant profile, and one heck of a great finish. It's up with the crème de la crème of the vintage and region and is going to keep for 10-12 years. Bravo!"
96 pts - Jeb Dunnuck

"The 2020 Understory lifts up with a Grenache-dominated wild strawberry and sweet spice bouquet. This washes across the palate in silken waves guided by bright acidity, with crisp red berries and exotic spices that swirl throughout. It's pleasantly floral through the long and lightly structured finale, leaving grippy tannins that tug at the senses. The 2020 is already so pretty today, yet it needs some time to integrate its sneaky tannins fully."
95+ pts - Vinous Media

Understory, 2020

Blend: 34% Grenache, 33% Carignan, 33% Mourvèdre

Certifications: Demeter Biodynamic Wine. Demeter Biodynamic and CCOF Organic Grapes.

Appellation: Adelaida District, Paso Robles

Harvest: September 13th - 29th, 2020

Vinification: Native yeast fermented in a selection of concrete and stainless steel with a variety of pump overs and punch downs depending on desired extraction for 20 to 36 days. Basket pressed into a selection of French barriques and puncheons (16% new). 5% whole clusters. Aged for 20 months.

Tasting Notes:

Aromatics - Raspberry tart, tamarind, licorice and huckleberry. Feral.

Palate Impression - Raspberry tea, anise and rosemary. Bright, savory and wild.

ABV: 14.9%

PH: 3.66

Bottled: 7.20.22