



ENIGMA\*

MARSANNE, ROUSSANNE AND VIOGNIER

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### 2012 Terre Rouge Enigma®, Sierra Foothills

(50% Marsanne, 29% Roussanne & 21% Viognier)

Enigma is made from fruit harvested from one vineyard site, Suma Kaw, planted in volcanic soil at an elevation of 3,000 feet in Pleasant Valley area of El Dorado County. The vineyard is on a sweeping North slope where we harvested the Marsanne on September 25th, the Viognier on September 28th, and the Roussanne on October 15th in 2012 more or less at normal picking dates. This high, cool elevation allows us to let the fruit hang for full flavor development while maintaining proper acidity. The vines grow on a vertical trellis with upward shoot and cane positioning for good fruit exposure to sunlight. The grapes are hand-picked into small bins and whole-cluster pressed. Fermentation takes place in older French oak barrels. The wine was bottled the following June 2013. Aromas suggest almond blossoms, honey, and acacia with hints of tangerine and papaya. Flavors are creamy with peach, apple, and quince impressions competing for your attention. The finish is crisp with classic white Rhône stone (peach) fruit pit flavors that intermingle with the subtle mineral tones from this rocky site. Enjoyable young, the wine also gains great complexity with bottle age.

14.2 % alcohol by vol.; 3.58 pH; 6.0 gm./liter total acidity

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#### 2018 Terre Rouge Vin Gris d'Amador - Sierra Foothills

(41% Grenache, 41% Mourvèdre, 6% Roussanne, 6% Viognier & 6% Grenache Blanc)

Our 2018 bottling of Vin Gris has the dryness, richness, and terroir of the best French rosés. With a substantial amount of Grenache in this bottling I think the 2018 wine has a Tavel-like presence. In fact, many people often compare our rosé to some of the most famous Southern French rosés. The French call this type of serious rosé - rosé gastronomique. We cold-soaked our rosé juice on the Grenache and Mourvèdre grape skins for about 24 hours to extract the flavor, extract some color, and intensify flavors and complexity in the finished wine. Later we blend in a small amount (about 18% in 2018) of white Rhône varietals to add nuance and complexity to the completed rosé. This juice goes into neutral French oak barrels to ferment just like our other white wines. The wine has subtle cinnamon/nutmeg spiciness with tasty persimmon, watermelon, and white peach fruit characteristics. It is absolutely dry with a delicious creamy nuance and crisp bite.

It is the perfect wine for a hot summer *afternoon* on the patio or at your favorite bistro. In France it is practically a sacrilege to not be drinking a glass of rosé with your lunch at the café. It is time to bring this tradition to the United States. *Vive le rosé!* 

13.7 % alcohol by vol.; 3.35 pH; 5.8 gm./liter total acidity Bottled in an attractive clear Burgundy-styled bottle with a screw-cap.

90 points (2018) - "Editor's Choice" - the Wine Enthusiast - November 2019 92 points (2017) - "Editor's Choice" - the Wine Enthusiast - November 2018 92 points (2016) - "Editor's Choice" - the Wine Enthusiast - September 2017 "A rosé for meals that will delight, like a a barely spiced lamb curry." Like a Tavel."

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## L'AUTRE GRENACHE, SYRAH AND MOURVÈDRE

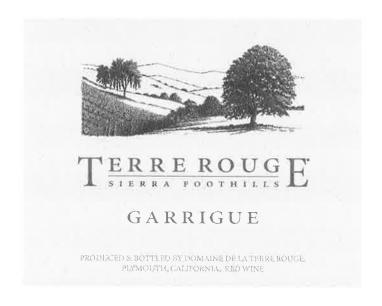
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#### 2010 Terre Rouge Grenache "L'Autre", Sierra Foothills

(73% Grenache, 14% Mourvèdre & 13% Syrah)

L'Autre means "the other one". This is now our top Rhône varietal blend. It has replaced Noir, a wine that was based on an old Placer County Grenache site that met its demise in 2002. The Grenache for L'Autre is better clonal material grown in what we consider to be a better location. The Duarte-Georgetown Vineyard is located at 2,500 feet near the town of the same name. Its Boomer series red, decomposed granite soils are what Grenache likes to grow in and the budwood is from Chateau Rayas, Beaucastel, and Remelluri in Rioja. The Mourvèdre is from one of our Fiddletown sites. The Syrah is from the Monarch Mine Vineyard, on a South-facing ridge to the North of the Georgetown Divide. This 2010 is very elegant, complex, and lively. Grenache's savory plum and black cherry flavors, coupled with Mourvèdre's smoky gaminess, and Syrah's powerful punch and richness. This is a dead ringer for a top Southern Rhône, say a Châteauneuf-du-Pape or Gigondas.

14.5% alc. by vol.; 3.70 pH; 6.3 gm./liter total acidity Release Date: October 2015

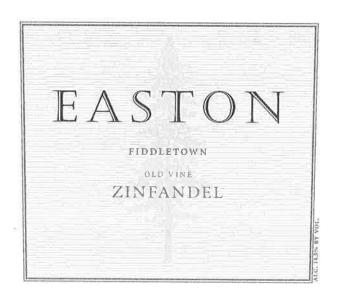


#### 2013 TERRE ROUGE Garrigue - Sierra Foothills

Domaine de la Terre Rouge specializes in wines made from Rhône Valley varietals. For this wine we were inspired the wines that originate a bit further South along the coastal Mediterranean were vineyards grown along side the *garrigue* or the local chaparral in places like Baux de Provence with the unique producer Domaine Trévallon. Our vines grow in a similar environment, surrounded by manzanita, pine, toyon, yerba santa, and chamise. This is a blend of two-third's Syrah and one-third Cabernet Sauvignon that is complex and savory, while still being accessible now. It is modestly-priced and eminently quaffable.

13.5% alcohol by vol.; 3.60 pH; 6.0 gm. per liter total acidity Suggested Retail: \$22 a bottle

92 points - Wine and Spirits Magazine. - "Best Buy"



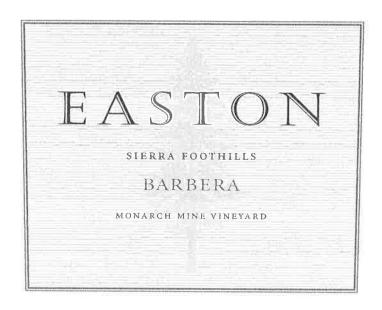
### 2011 Easton Zinfandel "Old Vine", Fiddletown (Rinaldi Vineyard)

These old vines barely provide a crop each year. The vineyard is about as old as they come in California with vines dating to the original planting in 1865. When you gaze on the vineyard on a cold Spring day after the vines have been pruned, the thousands of stout, thickly trunked vines are not unlike a amorphous Henry Moore sculpture, arms raised, pleading with the heavens for enough water to grow for another year. This vineyard is farmed with simplicity: pruning, plowing, and finally picking at the perfect time determined by our winemaker. Every year the wines are different and a revelation. We do not blend this wine with other Zinfandels in our cellar to make a consistent product. EASTON Fiddletown Zinfandel is always 100% Zinfandel from the Rinaldi Vineyard. We approach making the wine from this vineyard in much the same way a good winemaker would approach a Grand Cru vineyard in Burgundy. We want to reveal what the fruit has to offer each year in all of its' purity; not obscure it. This 2011 has thick brambly blackberry fruit with pepper, anise, clove, and other exotic spices. Yields are always incredibly low at about 2 tons per acre. Harvest was on October 7th and October 13th. Fat and mouth-filling with great persistence on the palate. Like all our EASTON Zinfandels, this wine was aged in exclusively French oak. The 2011 vintage will hold well for 5-10 years.

14.5% by volume; 3.60 pH; 6.2 gm./liter total acidity Suggested Retail: \$30 a bottle

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#### 2011 Easton Barbera, Sierra Foothills - Monarch Mine Vineyard

This is our new Barbera grown on a North-facing slope at the Monarch Mine Vineyard located near Foresthill at 2,500 feet. It is made from two Barbera clones: #2 and a older Montevina selection. The style here is more racy and elegant than our Shenandoah Valley bottling; more Asti than Alba. Although a late ripener, this Barbera matured to perfection with low yields on November 2nd in 2011 vintage. It has beautiful black cherry fruit, precise varietal character, and a pleasant spiciness. It has a polished and refined characteristics. It drinks with layered complexity and persistence. It is finished in all French oak cooperage.

This bottling shows a reflection of place, and as with all of our wines it is well balanced, so it is suited for the table and it is fun to drink.

This is the one of several limited production "Grapehead Club" wines that will mostly be sold to our club members first, and then only to the general public if some wine is still available. Look for our special club Pinot Noir, Cabernet Franc, Barbera, Syrah, Zinfandel, and Grenache Blanc in the future.

14.5 % alcohol by volume; 3.45pH; 6.8 gm./liter total acidity

Release Date: February 2015

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