

2021 SAN SIMEON PASO ROBLES SAUVIGNON BLANC



Region/Vintage Notes

Two vineyards from the relatively new Creston District AVA in Paso Robles were the source for our San Simeon 2021 Sauvignon Blanc. Comprising 53% of the blend, our Riboli Creston Vineyard features rolling hills and well-drained Arbuckle-Positas soils. At 47%, our Creston Highlands Vineyard has a steep terrain with soils derived from calcareous marine deposits. One of eleven sub-districts that make up the Paso Robles AVA, the Creston District is warm and dry yet tempered by cooling breezes flowing through the Templeton Gap to the west; this area's diurnal temperature swings can be as high as 50 degrees, ideal for long growing seasons. In 2021 yields were relatively small, but the fruit was wonderfully concentrated with great structure and flavor.

Winemaker/Tasting Notes

We harvested the grapes for this wine on September 2021, fermenting them in 100% stainless steel to preserve varietal freshness and acidity. After fermentation a majority of the wine rested in tank for several months prior to bottling. Intense aromas of white flowers and honey with fresh, grassy notes on the nose of this bright, well-balanced wine. The rich palate shows classic Sauvignon Blanc flavors of bright citrus, pear, and lime zest along with a slight hint of minerality. With nice acidity and a long, soft finish, this is an ideal wine to enjoy on a warm summer afternoon.

Sustainability

Sustainability is a top priority at San Simeon. Our Paso Robles Vineyards are certified sustainable by the rigorous California Sustainable Wine Alliance (CSWA). At our certified sustainable Paso Robles winery, solar panels provide 100% of the needed electricity, and wastewater is effectively reclaimed and recycled for additional use.



Technical Information

Appellation

Paso Robles

Vineyards

Riboli Creston ●
Creston Highlands ●

AVA

Creston District

Varietal Breakdown

100% Sauvignon Blanc

Fermentation

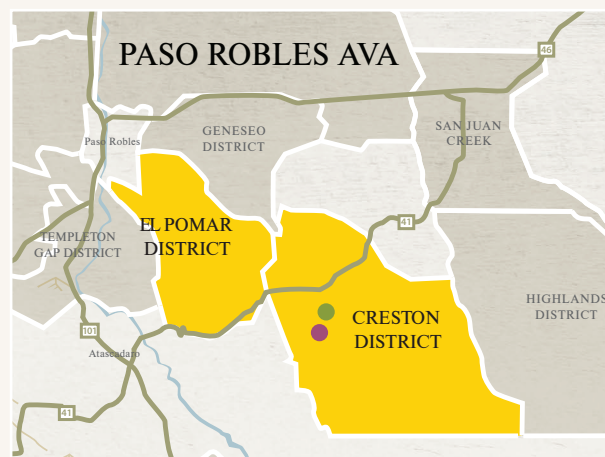
70% Stainless Steel
30% Neutral Barrels
Lees Stirring

Alcohol

13.5%

pH

3.67



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REGION/VINTAGE NOTES

The foundation of our Opaque 2018 Darkness rests on two estate vineyards in Paso Robles, Quarry Heights and Maddalena. The old head-trained Zinfandel vines in Quarry Heights grow on calcareous shale soils that impart a hint of minerality to the wine, while the Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Malbec and Primitivo from Maddalena in the prestigious El Pomar District AVA bring richness and texture along with full-bodied, concentrated fruit. A small amount of Petit Verdot from Stefano Vineyard rounds out this fascinating blend. 2018 was a seminal vintage in Paso Robles, with a long, steady growing season that contributed to both ripeness and freshness in the wines. The grapes for this wine were harvested over a month-long period in September and October as each varietal achieved physiological ripeness.

WINEMAKER/TASTING NOTES

Our Opaque 2018 Darkness brings its characteristic deep, dark red color, a sign of the richly satisfying wine to come. Juicy aromas lift from the glass in waves of black cherry, black plum and dark chocolate and are mirrored on the soft, mouth coating palate. Fifteen months of aging in French and American oak barrels - 73% new – adds a lovely spice note to this concentrated wine, which finishes with mature fruit notes and a touch of brown sugar, mineral and spice.

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Technical Information

Appellation
Paso Robles

AVA
El Pomar District

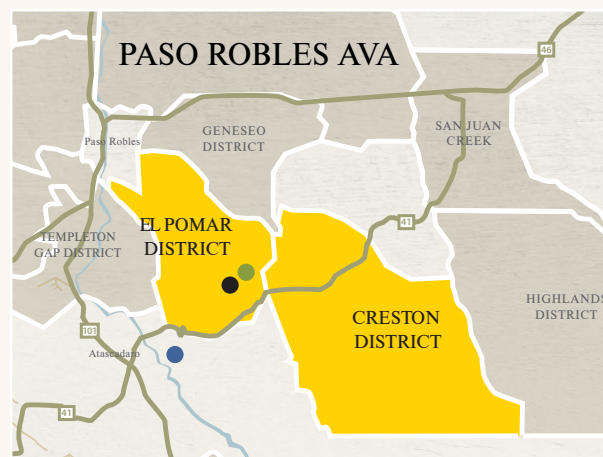
Oak
60% New French &
40% American Barrels

Aging
15 Months

Varietal Breakdown
36% Zinfandel
31% Cabernet Sauvignon
15% Petite Sirah
7% Malbec
6% Petit Verdot
5% Primitivo

Vineyards
Stefano ●
Maddalena ●
Quarry Heights ●

Alcohol
14.9%
pH
3.72





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PASO ROBLES 2018 PETITE SIRAH

TASTING NOTE

Aromas of blackberry, ripe plum, and thyme greet the nose. Aging in French and American oak barrels contributes notes of vanilla and oak spice. The mouthfeel is jammy and full-bodied. Firm tannins provide structure as the flavors build to a lengthy finish.

FOOD PAIRING

Enjoy San Simeon Petite Sirah with Oso Buco or short ribs!

WINEMAKING

Along California's Central Coast, the Paso Robles appellation of San Luis Obispo County provides an ideal climate for growing Petite Sirah. A dry climate promotes flavor development of the grapes. The Steinbeck Vineyard is located on a north-facing hillside. The Diablo soil is deep and well-drained with weathered calcareous sandstone and shale below a surface layer of a dark clay. 1103 Paulsen rootstock is well-suited to this region and varietal.

WINEMAKING TEAM

Beginning life in our sustainably-grown vineyards, the best lots from each estate are hand-selected by our winemaking team. San Simeon Wines are fermented and aged in our state-of-the-art winery.

With over 60 years of combined experience, our winemaking team is comprised of Anthony Riboli, Arnaud Debons, and Ben Mayo. With the use of 100% estate-grown fruit, San Simeon wines represent the pinnacle of vineyard to bottle winemaking.

SUSTAINABILITY

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VARIETIES

Petite Sirah

APPELLATION

Paso Robles

VINEYARDS

Stefano

Maddalena

CLONAL SELECTIONS

3, 5

BARREL AGING

10 Months

70% New French &
American Barrels

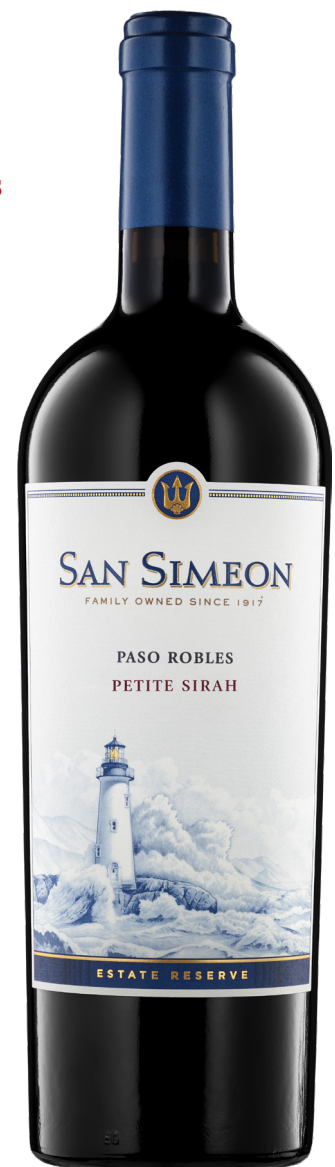
35% Neutral Barrels

ALCOHOL

14.9%

pH

3.53



2018 RIBOLI FAMILY NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Region/Vintage Notes

Our family has farmed our Riboli Family Vineyard in the famed Rutherford AVA of Napa Valley since 1986. Located along the Silverado Trail, the 16-acre site was chosen for its rich Bale Series clay loam soils and gentle slope. A temperate climate of warm days and cool nights translates to a long growing season for the clones of Cabernet Sauvignon we grow here. The 2018 vintage in Napa Valley was nothing short of phenomenal, with a long, steady and near-ideal growing season that yielded wines of intensity, concentration and balance. We harvested the grapes for this wine in early October.

Winemaker/Tasting Notes

After fermenting the wine to dryness, we aged this 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon in 100% French oak barrels (65% new) sourced from the French cooperage Marques Berger Orion Redmond. This Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon is a deep, dark red exuding rich, concentrated flavors of blackberries and blueberries along with hints of earthy undergrowth. The wine has that unmistakable character known as “Rutherford dust,” and its powerful tannins lead to a long reaching finish. An ideal wine for grilled meat and soft cheeses, this classic Rutherford Cabernet is built to be enjoyed and cellared for years.

Sustainability

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Technical Information

Appellation
Rutherford

Vineyards
Riboli Family ●

AVA
Rutherford

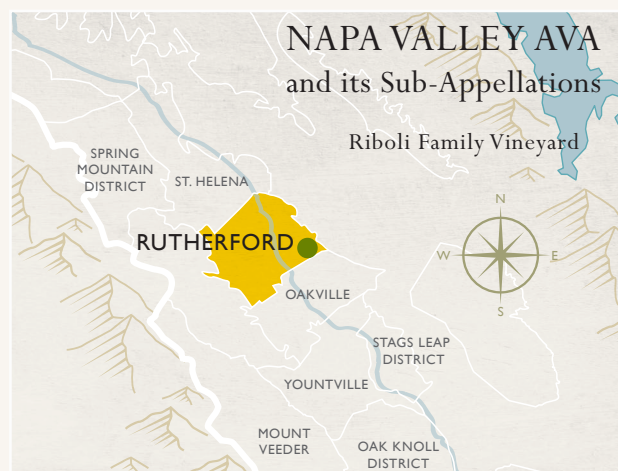
Varieties
91% Cabernet Sauvignon
9% Petit Verdot

Oak
French Oak Barrels
65% New

Alcohol
14.9%

Aging
22 Months

pH
3.778



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2018 SAN SIMEON PASO ROBLES RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Region/Vintage Notes

The San Simeon Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon reflects the finest lots from our estate vineyards in Paso Robles. In 2018, three sites in the highly regarded El Pomar AVA were handpicked for this blend; Cabernet Sauvignon from Pretty Penny and Maddalena vineyards and Petit Verdot from Stefano vineyard. Like the wider AVA itself, our estate vineyards benefit from a coastal climate with warm, sunny days yielding to cool, breezy afternoons and evenings. Each site features rolling hillsides with rocky soils, and the Clone 337 and 15 Cabernet vines produce tight clusters of highly concentrated grapes. The 2018 vintage was sublime in Paso Robles, with a long growing season that lasted into November. For this wine we handpicked blocks with both younger and older vines for added complexity; the old vine fruit from Pretty Penny vineyard was picked November 1st.

Winemaker/Tasting Notes

The small lots for this Reserve Cabernet were picked and fermented individually with minimal intervention to ensure full expression of the vineyard and vintage. Prior to blending, the wines matured for 18 months (90% new) French oak barrels with a mix of coopers and forests. A blend of 80% Cabernet Sauvignon and 20% Petit Verdot, this wine opens with aromas of rich black fruit mingled with violets, cocoa, caramel and toasted oak. The palate brings mouthwatering flavors of pomegranate and boysenberry, progressing into notes of oak spice, molasses and dried lavender. With a full body and distinct minerality, this cellar-worthy wine features refined tannins that lead to a long, smooth finish.

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Appellation

Paso Robles

AVA

El Pomar District

Oak

90% New French Barrels
10% Neutral Barrels

Aging

18 Months

Vineyards

Pretty Penny ●
Maddalena ●
Stefano ●

Clones

47, 337, 400

Varietal Breakdown

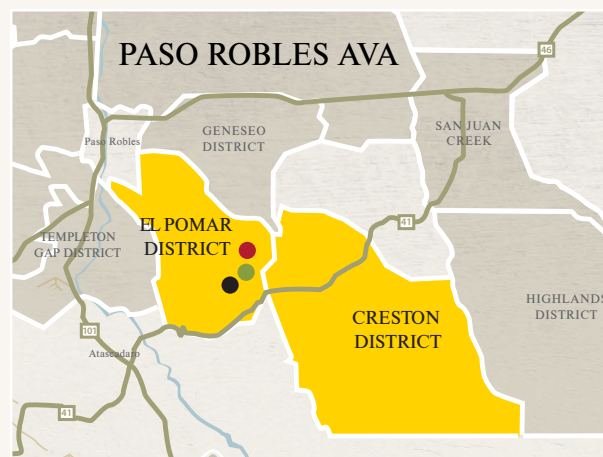
80% Cabernet Sauvignon
20% Petit Verdot

Alcohol

14.9%

pH

3.65



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