



## 2019 WATCH HILL VINEYARD GRENACHE

VINEYARD: Watch Hill	HARVEST DATE: October 25, 2019
APPELLATION: Alisos Canyon AVA	BRIX: 24.7°
REGION: Santa Barbara County	pH: 3.67
COMPOSITION: 100% Grenache	ABV: 14.1%
CLONE: Grenache Noir	ÉLEVAGE: 10 months in neutral French oak barrels
SOIL: Arnold Series-Loamy Sandstone	BOTTLED ON: September 5, 2020
FARMING: Organic	PRODUCTION: 90 Cases

### VINEYARD

Alisos Canyon, located in Los Alamos in the Central Coast of CA, is the newest AVA in the United States. Los Alamos Valley is generally 10 degrees cooler on average than Santa Ynez Valley, and 10 degrees warmer than Santa Maria Valley. The Alisos Canyon AVA exhibits the distinct influence of the San Antonio Creek Valley, which runs directly from the mouths of the Alisos and Comasa canyons to the Pacific Ocean 20 miles to the west. The ingress of cooling marine winds and fog through the valley helps define the climate of the AVA as a Winkler Region II. The vineyard is situated in the mouth of the canyon with very sandy Arnold series soils, making this prime real estate for Grenache.

### WINEMAKING

At the winery, the fruit was hand-sorted and completely de-stemmed. Prior to fermentation, it was gently foot-tread during a 5-day cold soak. The wine fermented spontaneously with native yeast then was pressed off after spending 17 days on the skins. Lastly, aged in neutral French oak barrels for 10 months. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.