

Tablas Creek Cotes de Tablas Rouge

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: USA - CA

REGION: San Luis Obispo County

APPELLATION: Paso Robles

CEPAGE: 44% Grenache, 33% Syrah, 19% Counoise, 4% Mourvedre

WINEMAKING: All varietals were fermented in a mix of stainless steel and wooden upright fermenters with the use of native yeasts. After pressing, the wines were racked, blended in June 2022, aged for a year in 1200-gallon French oak foudres, and then bottled in February 2023. The wine is unfinned and unfiltered.

AGING: Aged for one year in 1200-gallon French oak foudres

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 1160 cases

THE STORY

Tablas Creek is a pioneer of California's Rhône movement. Founded in 1989, it is the culmination of a friendship between two of the international wine community's leading families dating back to 1967: the Perrin family of Château de Beaucastel and the Haas family of Vineyard Brands. Today, the vineyards at Tablas Creek are proudly Biodynamic® and organic certified by Demeter USA.

PHILOSOPHY: Tablas Creek Vineyard follows the centuries-old Châteauneuf du-Pape tradition of blending, to produce wines that balance richness and elegance, while ensuring complexity, freshness, and minerality.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: high-toned and appealing

AROMAS / FLAVORS: fruitcake, fig, chocolate-dipped strawberries and sweet spice

MOUTHFEEL: black cherry, wild strawberry fruit, and cocoa powder

THE SELLING POINTS

Regenerative Organic Certified™ and biodynamic vineyards

AWARDS: 94pts James Suckling, 93pts Wine Spectator, 93pts Decanter, 92pts Wine Advocate, 92pts Vinous

SUSTAINABILITY: Certified Biodynamic, Certified Organic

PAIRINGS: Grilled Steaks, Pastas with Meat Sauces, Rich Beef Stews, Spicy Sausages

