

Value 2001

WINE ENTHUSIAST

The California Cult *Alternative*

By Jeff Morgan



Tablas Creek Vineyard 1998 Rouge

“The good news is that you don’t have to forego great wine at reasonable prices. For every cult wine out there, there are equally interesting alternatives.”

“Cola and cherry aromas kick off this elegant blend of Mourvèdre, Grenache and Counoise. The flavors stream out to reveal more blackberry, spice and herb notes as well. Sleek and focused, it offers a fine blend of ripe tannins, firmness and supple texture too. Made by the Perrins of Beaucastel and importer Robert Haas. *Score 91.*”

