

PATELIN DE TABLAS BLANC

2019



Appellation Paso Robles

Blend

38% Grenache Blanc 24% Roussanne 18% Viognier 13% Marsanne 7% Clairette Blanche

13.0% Alcohol by Volume

2380 Cases Produced

FOOD PAIRINGS

Seafood cooked with garlic and white wine

Green salads with avocado and citrus dressing

Lemon chicken

Scallops

Light-fleshed fish with tropical salsa

The Tablas Creek Vineyard Patelin de Tablas Blanc is a blend of five white Rhône varietals: Grenache Blanc, Roussanne, Viognier, Marsanne and Clairette Blanche. The wine incorporates fruit from six top Rhone vineyards in Paso Robles, each vineyard selected for its quality. Like many white wines from the Southern Rhône, it is based on the crisp acids and rich mouthfeel of Grenache Blanc, with Viognier for floral, tropical aromatics and rich texture, Roussanne and Marsanne for structure and spice, and a small addition of Clairette Blanche for freshness and minerality.

TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Patelin de Tablas Blanc is intensely Rhone-like on the nose, with notes of honeysuckle, orange zest, anise, and crushed rock. In the mouth, it's lush but vibrant with mandarin orange, nectarine, white flowers, and a saline mid-palate. The long, zesty finish shows citrus pith and sea spray minerality, with a lingering orange blossom note. Drink now and for the next 2-3 years.

PRODUCTION NOTES

The 2019 vintage's ample rainfall and cool first half of summer delayed budbreak and flowering. The warm second half of harvest produced ideal ripening conditions and intense flavors. The resulting harvest was completed under great conditions and the vintage shows both concentration and freshness, with bright acids framing ample fruit. All varietals for the Patelin de Tablas Blanc were whole cluster pressed, and fermented with native yeasts in stainless steel to emphasize the clean crisp flavors and preserve the aromatics. After fermentation, the wines were racked and blended, and bottled in August 2020.

VINEYARD SOURCES

30% Viognier and Marsanne from Derby in Templeton Gap District

20% Grenache Blanc and Viognier from Fralich in El Pomar District

15% Roussanne and Grenache Blanc from the Tablas Creek certified organic estate vineyard

14% Roussanne from Creston Ridge in El Pomar District 14% Grenache Blanc from Dawson Creek Vineyard in El Pomar District

7% Clairette Blanche from M du R in El Pomar District