

Drew Family Cellars

DREW – 2004 GRENACHE

Ying & Yang

Vineyard Tech.'s – 53% Larner Vineyard, 47% Hearthstone Vineyard

Vineyard: Larner (53%)
Variety: Grenache
Harvest date: October 4, 2004
Sugars: 26.2 degrees Brix
Ph: 3.4
TA: 7.8 grams/liter
Clone: 513, 362
Rootstock: 101-14
Spacing: 6 x 10 feet
Pruning: Cane prune
Orientation: North-West and South-East
Slope: gentle and steep slope
Aspect: North East Facing
Soil: Sandy loam

Vineyard: Hearthstone Vineyard (47%)
Variety: Grenache
Harvest date: September 30, 2004
Sugars: 26.5 degrees Brix
Ph: 3.50
TA: 7.7 grams/liter
Clone: 513, Tablas
Rootstock: 1103p
Spacing: 5 x 10 feet
Pruning: Spur prune
Orientation: run North-South
Slope: gentle slope
Aspect: South and North facing
Soil: Clay loam over limestone

Finished wine

Alcohol: 14.8% by vol.
TA: 6.8 grams/liter
Ph: 3.61
Oak: 100% American
50% 2 year old
50% 3 year old

Date of bottling: August, 2005
Number of cases: 185 cases
Release Date: March, 2006

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Grenache is grown with great success in southern France and the northern half of Spain; Grenache is used to produce wines ranging from refreshing rosé through light and fruity reds to powerfully flavored long-lasting wines.

Ying & Yang is a unique blend between west side Paso Robles appellation (Hearthstone Vineyard) and Santa Ynez Valley (Larner Vineyard). Yin Yang is a Buddhist philosophy which embodies the concept that very different parts will unite to form a harmonious and complete union. These two lots of wines were very different in every respect besides the variety. Appellation, soils, orientation, farming practices... but once they came together, oh the medley of complex but pure flavors!

Exotic spice and earth of the Hearthstone with intense and rich fruits of Larner dance their way around in this wonderful union of Grenache. Notes on the musts say 'great show'.

Earthy spice and hard candied cherries and cream and dark raspberries, cardamom with exotic floral and wood notes. Burst of cherry and raspberry fruit and rose petals on the palate with a hint of grapefruit rinds. Soft grainy tannins make for plush finish. Nice finesse, a bit elegant.