

2016

L'ANGE ROUGE

L'Ange Rouge, meaning "The Red Angel," is dedicated to Mac's grandmother who fittingly had a full head of red hair. This blend is meant to showcase the femininity of Grenache. Alta Mesa Grenache is blended with Grenache from Lerner Vineyard showcases the depth of this varietal. Syrah from Kimsey and Mourvèdre from Alta Mesa provide the balance.

VINIFICATION

The components of Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre were fermented in small open top bins, with 60% whole clusters included. The wine spent 15-20 days on the skins with a combination of pump-overs and punch downs. Grenache components aged 20 months in 500-liter neutral puncheons, Syrah and Mourvèdre aged in 265-liter barriques.

TASTING NOTES

Limpid ruby-red. Flamboyant raspberry, potpourri and incense aromas are complicated by a building spicecake note. Sweet, mineral-tinged red and blue fruit liqueur and lavender pastille flavors show excellent delineation and silky, seamless texture. Finishes juicy, lively and very long, with slow-building tannins and resonating floral and red berry notes. - *Josh Reynolds, Vinous*

VARIETALS:

75% Grenache,
13% Mourvèdre, 12% Syrah

APPELLATION:

Santa Barbara County

VINEYARDS:

Lerner, Kimsey, Alta Mesa

ALCOHOL CONTENT:

15.2%

CASES PRODUCED:

209

AGING POTENTIAL:

Present - 2028

RETAIL PRICE:

\$45



TASTING NOTES BY MCPRIE MYERS WINEMAKER AND OWNER

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