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CRITIC REVIEWS

2016 Santa Ynez Valley Grenache

California Grapevine: 91 points

Medium-light to medium ruby color; attractive, assertive, deep, bright, red cherry, strawberry and cranberry fruit aroma with hints of baking spices; full body; rich, ripe, spicy, moderately concentrated, red fruit flavors with good depth and bright acidity; medium-full tannin; lingering aftertaste. A very likeable wine that's nicely balanced and easy to drink and enjoy now and over the next year or two. Very highly recommended. 15% alcohol; 900 cases; 100% Grenache; released November 2017. (Group Score: 16.7 of 20 points, 4 of 13 first-place votes/3 seconds/1 third; My Score: 17 [91 of 100 points], fourth place) February 2018

Vinous: 90 points

The 2016 Grenache offers lovely brightness and intensity. Floral overtones and a host of red berry fruit flavors give the 2016 its vivacious personality. Light on its feet, yet surprisingly deep, the 2016 has a lot to offer. Aging in neutral oak allows the purity of the fruit to shine through nicely. Drink 2019 - 2024 September 2018

Wine Advocate (Reviewed by Lisa Perrotti-Brown): 90 points

The 2016 Grenache has a medium garnet-purple color and nose of baked cherries, black raspberries and plum preserves with touches of Chinese five spice, cracked pepper and sautéed herbs. Big, full-bodied and plushly textured, the berry preserves and spice flavors deliver a full-throttle palate and long, pepper-laced finish. Drink 2017 - 2021. September 2017

Jeb Dunnuck: 90 points

Black cherries, roasted herbs, licorice, and assorted underbrush and earthy notes all emerge from the 2016 Grenache, which is 100% Grenache from Purisima Vineyard. It's medium-bodied, supple and polished on the palate, with terrific elegance and purity. Drink it over the coming 4-6 years. Drink 2018 - 2024.

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