



## 2020 Santa Ynez Valley Grenache

The 2020 season will be remembered for its intense heat spikes in the Santa Ynez Valley. Thankfully, unlike most parts of California, we had no fire and smoke issues with our grapes and wines. Other than the intense heat the season was a good one and has produced wines of outstanding quality with lower than average yields. The heat that came in August and September shut down some vines and caused damage to some fruit, so sorting in the vineyard and winery was essential to a successful vintage. Our biodynamic farming also helped to offset some of the negative effects of the heat which helped to make 2020 another stellar vintage for Beckmen Vineyards.

Composition	Vineyard	Harvest Dates
100% Grenache	Purisima Mountain Vineyard <i>Ballard Canyon AVA</i>	October 21 - November 5
	Thomas and Judith Beckmen Estate Vineyard <i>Los Olivos District AVA</i>	

### Winemaking & Aging

- Combination of estate grown Alban, Tablas, and #3 clones.
- Berries were hand-sorted, then cold-soaked for seven days.
- Wine was fermented using native yeast for 10 days.
- The caps were punched down by hand two times daily.
- The wine underwent spontaneous native malolactic fermentation in-barrel.
- 10 months in 3-year-old and neutral French oak barrels; 300L and 500L barrels were used.

Analysis			Production
ALCOHOL: 15%	PH: 3.73	TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.2 g/L	450 cases

### Tasting Notes

Notes of bright red fruits, spices, and a savory note that is not typical of this bottling, the 2020 SYV Grenache excels from this hotter than normal vintage.

Release Date	Drinking Window	SRP	UPC Code
November 2021	2021 - 2031+	\$36	13684 01269

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