

## Fall 2021 Releases Winemaker Tasting Notes

2019 Lytton Springs (Dry Creek Valley AVA, 11,000 cases)

73% zinfandel, 16% petite sirah, 9% carignane, 2% mataro; 14.6% ABV Appealing nose of pepper, and raspberry. Layered plum, blackberry and cocoa on the palate with chalky tannins and a lingering finish. JO (1/21)

## <u>2019 Pagani Ranch Zinfandel</u> (Sonoma Valley AVA, 3,990 cases)

90% zinfandel, 6% petite sirah, 4% alicante bouschet; 14.8% ABV

Rich plum and blueberry on the nose with floral notes. Medium to full-bodied on the palate with ample blackberry, currant, and dark chocolate. Balanced structure with supple texture and a long, layered finish. MB (7/21)

## <u>2018 Monte Bello</u> (Santa Cruz Mountains AVA, 4,050 cases)

74% cabernet sauvignon, 17% merlot, 7% petit verdot, 2% cabernet franc; 13.7% ABV Opaque-saturated ruby in color. Aromas of cassis, fennel, cola, clove-nutmeg spice, toasted oak, wet crushed stone, black tea, and sweet dry chaparral. Palate of ripe cassis, blackberry, and mountain bramble. Lively acid and polished velvety tannins with a smooth, full body and long finish showing limestone mineral and forest floor. EB (4/20)

## 2020 Grenache Blanc (Adelaida District AVA, 1,500 cases)

77% grenache blanc, 15% roussanne, 8% picpoul; 13.0% ABV

Pale-gold color. Aromas of green apple, lime, and a hint of cut green grass. Tart citrus fruit and firm acid on entry. Crushed rock mineral and a rich, clean aftertaste. SI (7/21)