

Fall 2022 Releases Winemaker Tasting Notes

2021 Grenache Blanc (Adelaida District AVA, 1,400 cases)

90% grenache blanc, 6% roussanne, 4% picpoul; 13.8% ABV

Beautiful, translucent golden color. Aromas of white peach, brioche, honeydew, pear, and wet stone. Bright and clean entry with medium body and a refreshing, mouthwatering finish. TG (3/22)

2020 Lytton Springs (Dry Creek Valley AVA, 6,700 cases)

79% zinfandel, 11% petite sirah, 10% carignane; 14.6% ABV

Rich blackberry and plum on the nose with notes of aniseed. Full-bodied with dark bramble fruit and well-coated tannins on the palate. The long finish reveals layers of black licorice and dried sage. MB (4/22)

2020 Pagani Ranch Zinfandel (Sonoma Valley AVA, 3,500 cases)

90% zinfandel, 6% petite sirah, 4% alicante bouschet; 13.8% ABV

Rich plum and pipe tobacco on the nose. Full-bodied on the palate with boysenberry, ripe black cherry, and pepper. Well-balanced with lively acidity and a long, layered finish. MB (7/22)

2019 Lytton Estate Petite Sirah (Dry Creek Valley AVA, 3,000 cases)

100% petite sirah; 14.3% ABV

Rich plum, fig, and dark chocolate on the nose. Deep opaque purple in color. Full-bodied on the palate with well-coated tannins, ripe bramble fruit, and hints of baking spices and fresh tarragon. Long mineral finish with well-balanced acidity. MB (6/22)

2019 Monte Bello (Santa Cruz Mountains AVA, 5,700 cases)

82% cabernet sauvignon, 9% merlot, 8% petit verdot, 1% cabernet franc; 13.7% ABV

Complex aromas of blackberry, tobacco, roasted coffee bean, and wintergreen. On the palate, concentrated plum layered with well-coated tannins, firm acidity, oak spice, and notes of licorice on the long finish. JO (1/22)