VINEYARD NOTES
Casa de Vinas Vineyard:
Julio Covarrubias, who immigrated to the United States from Mexico in 1967, purchased the 21-acre Casa de Vinas property on Tesla Road from the Wente family in 2002. He is meticulous about his vineyard practices, taking soil samples beginning in February to see what his vines will need to thrive come bud break. Unlike other grape-growing regions in Northern California, Livermore has an east-west orientation he says, which allows the coastal fog and marine breezes to slide in from the Pacific Ocean and San Francisco Bay and cool the warm air to a crisp temperature at night. The valley also has relatively high mountain chains on both sides which enhance the cooling effect of the ocean breezes.

PRODUCTION
Pick Date: 10/22/2015
Yeast: D80
Malolactic: Elios 1
Fermentation: Fermented in macro bins with 3 punch downs daily
Bottled: 1/2018

WINEMAKER COMMENTS
This vintage of Le Mur de Roche was grown in Livermore Valley. Julio Covarrubias has been a friend of my family for decades. It was an honor to make wine from his coveted vineyard in the Livermore Valley. We let this wine continue to age and mature in barrel for three years. Aromas of dark chocolate, black tea, allspice, blueberry, and blackberry give way to flavors of boysenberry, and black pepper. This wine is big and tightly wound with a firm tannin structure, which gives this wine great aging potential. This wine could lay down for 5-10 years with no problem.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPHELATION
Livermore Valley

COMPOSITION
100% Petite Sirah

ALCOHOL
15.21%

pH
3.65

TOTAL ACIDITY
0.58g / 100ML

BARRLES
60% neutral oak
30% new French oak
10% new American oak

RELEASE DATE
MAY 2019

SUGGESTED RETAIL
$60