2018
Kent’s Legacy Heritage Blend

VINEYARD NOTES

Maggie’s Vineyard: Maggie’s Vineyard is a unique Heritage site that was planted back in the 1880’s in Sonoma Valley. While this vineyard is mostly Zinfandel, there is a section interplanted with Sémillon, Muscadelle and Palimino. I believe in preserving the true intention of the people who planted these Heritage vineyards, so I co-ferment the red and white grapes.

St. Peter’s Church Vineyard: Planted in the 1880’s, this vineyard sits in an unsuspecting location, in the back of St. Peter’s Catholic Church in the middle of Cloverdale. Still owned by the parish, and farmed by the Valdez family, this vineyard consistently produces very special fruit.

Monte Rosso Vineyard: Monte Rosso is located on the southwest side of the Mayacamas mountain range, near the town of Agua Caliente where the vineyard elevations range from 700 to 1240 feet. Now owned by Gallo, this prestigious vineyard is sought after by many, but only garnered by a few lucky folks. Our block was planted in 1890 and boasts vines which are head-trained and super gnarly.

PRODUCTION

This Heritage wine is a blend of the very best barrels from St. Peter’s Church, Monte Rosso and Maggie’s Zinfandel lots. I blended them together with great intention, to make a wine that is surely making Dad smile down upon us. Not only is this wine comprised of some of Dad’s favorite vineyards, but the timeline during harvest was also important in determining the depth of soul of this wine. My dad passed away on the morning of September 5th, 2018, which is the same day we picked the St. Peter’s Church Zinfandel. The next morning, less than 24 hours after my dad had passed, my cellar crew and I held hands around the first bin of St. Peter’s Church grapes and cried and said a prayer. I sobbed through the entire crush that day, (and for many weeks after that) which was cathartic to throw my grieving into high-geared manual labor. It was especially apropos to have a grieving outlet where the outcome was passionately made wine. I kept telling myself in moments of overwhelming sadness that dad wouldn’t want me grieving any other way.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

This Heritage blend is special in so many ways, but the finished wine stands on its own. Kent’s Legacy Heritage Blend boasts aromas and flavors of raspberry, ripe peach, strawberry, dark chocolate and white pepper with present acidity, a lengthy finish, and aging potential. Love you Dad.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPENDAGE
Sonoma County

COMPOSITION
88% Zinfandel
3% Zinfandel
3% Muscadelle
3% Sémillon
3% Palimino

ALCOHOL
15.76%

pH
3.51

TOTAL ACIDITY
0.63G / 100ML

BARRELS
70% neutral oak
20% new French oak
10% new American oak

RELEASE DATE
JULY 29TH, 2019 (KENT’S 75TH B’DAY)

SUGGESTED RETAIL
$100