

2016 GORGEOUS GRENACHE



Our Grenache comes from Garnier Vineyard, just outside of the town of Mosier, Oregon; on the banks of the Columbia River, in the Columbia Gorge. Wrought by the work of this regions dramatic geologic history, the soil here is a shallow sandy loam with basalt protrusions and produces lively, energetic wines with distinction and personality.

Vineyard: Garnier Vineyard

AVA: Columbia Gorge

Soil: Sandy Loam with Basalt protrusions

Harvest: October 4th, 2016

Winemaking: 25% whole cluster fermentation

14 months in neutral oak

Finish Chemistry: 13.5% alc, 5.2 g/L TA and 3.69pH

TASTING NOTES:

LIBERALITY

DARK BERRY JAM AND IRON SPICE

SHARE WITH MEAT OR BEET

Deep magenta in color, our 2016 Gorgeous Grenache opens with confectionary aromas of blue raspberry, boysenberry, spiced plum and black current jam. There is cocoa here along with black licorice, graham cracker, toasty pecan and brooding dark berry. The palate is plush and succulent with a tangy savory quality. We added 25% whole clusters during the fermentation which brings complexity in the form of earthy, brushy notes around a core of blue fruits. A mineral note here too rings reminiscent of iron and allspice with a beetroot meatiness that suggests sharing with sumptuous cool weather fair.