



## **A Tribute to Grace Grenache, Santa Barbara County 2016**

**Vineyards:** Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard, valley floor 'Alban' clone (harvested 10.6.16)  
Vie Caprice Vineyard, southern-most block 'Alban' clone (harvested 9.21.16)  
Jorian Hills Vineyard (harvested 10.13.16)  
Spear Vineyard (harvested 10.12.16)

**Varietal:** 100% Grenache

**Alcohol:** 14.1% abv

**Finishing pH:** 3.68

**Release date:** March 1st, 2018

**AVA:** Santa Barbara County

**Élevage:** 11 months in neutral french barrique

**Bottling date:** August 19, 2017 (moon in Cancer)

**Total Production:** 894 cases

Following the early rains of 2016, Santa Barbara County enjoyed a long, steady ripening season with a revived sense of depth compared with the intense drought years prior. This Grenache represents four vastly different expressions within this climate: the Highlands with her 3200 feet elevation extremity and wide open skies, the Vie Caprice vineyard with 5' x 4' spacing amidst Santa Ynez horse country, the tee-pee-planted Jorian Hills vineyard in Ballard Canyon, and the amphitheatre-like setting of the Spear vineyard in the Sta. Rita Hills.

An interesting juxtaposition of the same grape, treated the same way: 100% de-stemmed, 11 months in neutral barrel, racked once under the July's new moon (2017) ~ where they married, and were bottled one month later.

**tasting notes:** Rose attar, clary, iris and amber