Writer’s Block Grenache 2015

VINEYARDS

This Grenache is made from two Lake County vineyards, predominantly Fiora Vineyard, with a smaller amount coming from Shannon Ridge Vineyard. Fiora Vineyard is in the far northeast Long Valley area, and is situated on an old creek bank. Shannon Ridge Vineyard is situated in the High Valley AVA.

WINE STYLE & TASTING NOTE

A wonderfully light and pretty style Grenache, the model for this wine is more of a Southern Rhone or Gigondas, as opposed to something from parts of Spain or Australia. Red fruits such as strawberry and raspberry are prominent, with notes of citrus rind, followed by flavors of cranberry, cinnamon, and a slight white pepper spice on the finish. The wine is fermented for 21 days in stainless steel tank before being aged in French and Hungarian oak (15% new) for 10-12 months.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Great for a tapas night, Grenache also pairs perfectly with grilled, stewed and braised meats like, veal, pork, chicken and duck.

TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION Lake County, CA  ALCOHOL 13.8%  PH 3.78  TA 0.61g/100mL  RS 0.06g/L  BARREL AGING 11 months in French and Hungarian (15% new)  VINE AGE Avg. 15 years  YIELDS 3-4 tons per acre  PRODUCTION 250 cases  MSRP $17.00