RED PHOENIX

"The phoenix Hope, can wing her way through the desert skies, and still defying fortune's spite; revive from ashes and rise."

- Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra, Don Quixote

RED WINE BLEND | 2019 | CALIFORNIA



With European origins dating back centuries ago, blended red wine is once again having its day in the sun. Red Phoenix Red Wine Blend represents the essence of this well-deserved resurgence. Unbound by a single varietal or appellation, and given more flexibility with vintages, winemaker Joseph Smith skillfully showcases three distinct varietals in this luscious and layered wine. Unlike traditional red blends, Red Phoenix is both barrel aged and barrel fermented, adding structure, balance, and a new dimension to a wine that is rooted in tradition and soars on the palate.

TASTING NOTES

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Coastal aromas of fresh fruit and lush florals coupled with a deep ruby color intrigue the senses.

Bright, bold flavors of cherry and blackberry ascend on the palate while showcasing subtle, smooth tannins. The wine crescendos with anise, chocolate and toasted oak, offering depth and complexity, as velvety flavors continue to linger and evolve throughout the long, rich finish.

APPELLATION

Lodi - 75%

Napa Valley - 15%

Mendocino - 5%

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

Cabernet Sauvignon - 93%

Merlot - 5%

Zinfandel - 2%

OAK COMPOSITION

Aged for 18 months 100% French oak barrels

60% new barrel | 40% neutral

FERMENTATION COMPOSITION

30% stainless steel, flash on skins 40% flash and barrel fermented 30% traditional fermentation, stainless steel

ALCOHOL

14.5%

RESIDUAL SUGAR

3.8 g/L

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3.65

TOTAL ACIDITY

6.5 g/L

VOLATILE ACIDITY

 $0.52 \, g/L$

VINTAGE

2019 - 86%

2015 - 10%

2017 - 4%

