

blagden



Cabernet

2008 | Monte Rosso Cabernet Monte Rosso Vineyard

Blagden is a small producer of Vineyard Designate Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays from the Petaluma Gap and Sonoma Coast and some years a Cabernet from Monte Rosso or a Napa Cabernet. Annual production is usually less than 500 cases and most lot sizes are no bigger than 200 cases. Not all grapes make it into the Blagden production as Catherine Blagden chooses only the best barrels for each vineyard designate blend, assuring the best quality wine from that vineyard. Catherine has an M.S. from UC Davis and has been making wine since 2003. Blagden's 2013 Sangiacomo Pinot Noir won the 11th Annual International Women's Wine Making Competition which was announced in June 2018. The 2007 Monte Rosso Cabernet Sauvignon won Double Gold, Sonoma Winery of the Year at the 2018 New York International Wine Competition.

Appellation

Moon Mountain

Tasting notes

Deep rich purple in color, the nose shows dark fruits and some Asian barrel spice. The velvety entry is rich and explosive, showing dark, sweet blueberry, plum and black raspberry. The finish is long, mouthwatering and lingering. The deep and balanced tannins enable this wine to pair well with food, but it is lovely to drink on its own!

Balanced and complex, this wine is drinkable now, but should age nicely for another 15 or more years.

Vineyard notes

The famed Monte Rosso Vineyard's 250 acres are located 1300' above sea level on the southwest side of the Mayacamas Range. The vineyard historically produces wines with high acid, due to the volcanic influence and the minerally Red Hill Loam soil.

Inoculated with MT yeast and EnoFerm Alpha for malolactic fermentation

Clone:

No clone, Monte Rosso field selection

Root stock:

110R

Oak:

100% French, 75% new.

21 months in barrel

Harvested:

10/25/08

Bottled:

7/30/10

Produced:

224 cases

Released:

Fall 2018

Finished wine

pH: 3.61

TA: 6.5 g/L

Alcohol: 14.8%

