



2019 FALL REDS CLUB OFFERING

2015 CONTROLLED CHAOS **\$48 / \$38.40 club**
37% Mourvèdre, 25% Zinfandel, 19% Grenache, 19% Counoise, Paso Robles
286 cases produced, bottled April 2017

A mentholated freshness tails the initial fruit approach: ripe watermelon with balsamic reduction, and peppered red fruits. Concentrated fruits on the palate, a combination of dark (blueberries, fruit compote) and bright (dried papaya and apricot) fruits, complimented by savory notes of rhubarb and cured meat. The tannins are delicate, and integrated.

2015 ORIGINAL COPY **\$60 / \$48.00 club**
66% Cabernet Sauvignon, 34% Cabernet Franc, Adelaida District
184 cases produced, bottled August 2017

Inviting wild berry aromatics pull you in, but this wine is all about its classic, Bordelaise herbaceousness. From sweet fennel and rosemary, the aromatics progress into more savory bay leaf and dill, finally sharpening up to fresh-cut jalapeño. The structure is aggressive, posturing with silty, knuckleduster tannin. You know what to pair this with: it will cut through fat like a samurai sword.

2015 RESIDENT ALIEN **\$52 / \$41.60 club**
71% Tannat, 29% Petite Sirah, Adelaida District
175 cases produced, bottled August 2017

They paved paradise and put up a parking lot: The aromatic combination of purple flower notes (distilled, essential oils) and tar ("Santa Barbara beaches") is mind-boggling! There's liniment intensity, pipe tobacco, potpourri... The palate is sweet & sour tang, plum sauce, fig newton and rum raisin. The tannins are unctuous, embracing and welcoming.

2016 NORMAL DEVIATION **\$52 / \$41.60 club**
77% Zinfandel, 23% Petite Sirah, Kentucky Ranch Vineyard, Adelaida District
210 cases produced, bottled August 2018

Immediately reminiscent of sea salt and blueberries in dark chocolate. The Petite Sirah lends tang as hoisin. The palate is more red-fruited: fresh strawberries covered in balsamic, sea salt and crushed peppercorn. Polished, rounded tannins that, while friendly, also throw their weight around.

2016 ZINFANDEL **\$40 / \$32.00 club**
100% Zinfandel, Paso Robles
218 cases produced, bottled April 2018

A wine all about its red fruits: bright homemade cherry, strawberry and raspberry preserves. Just enough classic Zin bramble and black pepper to balance out the fruit. Intense, fresh strawberry juice on the palate, which is clean and focused. Satiating, mouthwatering acidity keeps this wine on the straight and narrow.

2016 EL ALVARO **\$52 / \$41.60 club**
52% Grenache, 24% Syrah, 24% Mourvèdre, La Vista Vineyard, Adelaida District
105 cases produced, bottled April 2018

Dusty fruit up front, like raspberries fresh off a bush on a country road. There's a lively, snappy stem character, and lots of Syrah meat. The palate gets a little richer, with the fruit turning more to Queen Anne's chocolate covered cherries. The tannins are firm, but friendly; they stand their ground, but are good guys at the end of the day.