



THACHER

WINERY AND VINEYARD

2019 FALL CLUB OFFERING

2018 OWN-ROOTED CHENIN BLANC

\$32 / \$25.60 club

100% Chenin Blanc, Shell Creek Vineyards, Paso Robles Highlands District, 160 cases

Despite its featherweight status, this wine punches up. It's more about salinity, minerality and flowerage characters than fruit: wet beach sand, lemongrass, lanolin, forage hay and honey, opening into white pepper as the wine warms. (Shy when cold, we recommend serving closer to cellar temperature) This is a stellar accoutrement to sushi and ceviche.

2015 CONTROLLED CHAOS

\$48 / \$38.40 club

37% Mourvèdre, 25% Zinfandel, 19% Grenache, 19% Counoise, Paso Robles, 286 cases

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

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

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

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

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

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.



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