

VILLA CREEK®



“Based on 40% Grenache, 36% Carignan, 16% Syrah, and 8% Mourvèdre, the 2023 Rocks and Flowers reveals red and black raspberries, Provençal garrigue, sandalwood, and peppery aromatics. Aged 18 months in French oak (15% new), it’s ultra-pure and finesse-driven on the palate, with medium to full body, ripe, polished tannins, nicely integrated acidity, and a great finish. This beautifully done wine is well worth seeking out. Drink 2025-2035.”

95 pts - Jeb Dunnuck

“The perfumed 2023 Rocks & Flowers wafts from the glass with lifted notes of violet pastille, crushed stone and citrus-laced blackberries. Juicy to the core, it sweeps across the palate with crisp wild berry fruit as nuances of baking spice mingle with crunchy tannins. A bump of residual acidity adds freshness through the close, while the 2023 leaves a tinge of balsam herbs to linger. Rocks & Flowers is a mix of 40% Grenache fermented with Mourvèdre, along with 36% Carignan and 16% Syrah.”

94 pts - Eric Guido, Vinous Media

Rocks and Flowers, 2023

Blend: 40% Grenache, 36% Carignan, 16% Syrah, 8% Mourvèdre

Certification: CCOF Organic

Appellation: Paso Robles

Harvest: September 1st - September 21st, 2023

Vinification: Native fermented in a mix of concrete and stainless steel. 6% whole cluster. Individual lots are pressed on taste and barreled down to a selection of new (16%) and neutral 225 and 500 liter barrels. Aged for 18 months.

Tasting Notes:

Aromatics - Bright and floral, this is all hi-hat cymbals living at the top of the floral spectrum resonating high in the olfactory. Brambly and wild, evoking power and grace.

Palate Impression - More serious on the palate showing pedigree, complexity and power. The components fit together like your favorite jam band. Structure first, then ripe, dark raspberry, orange peel and mint. Long and powerful with building acid and tannin.

Oak Impression - Slight.

ABV: 14.1%

PH: 3.60

Bottled: 2.19.2025