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2017 Tannat

Vintage

2017 was the rare Virginia vintage where harvest decisions were made independently of weather. Dry, sunny days and cool nights allowed for unhurried grape development. The Tannat ripened faster than expected towards the end of harvest, leaving us with plush berry flavors and a satisfyingly high alcohol that we dared not try to tame.

Vineyard

The 2017 Tannat comes from two separate blocks of our Stinson Farms estate vineyard. Riper flavors on the older vines marry well with powerful acidity in the newer fruit.

Winemaker's Notes

Tannat is a rustic varietal, but its chunky tannins belie a structured elegance. Black raspberry, plum and cherry are grounded by notes of earthy forest floor, tobacco and well-integrated oak.

Harvest Date: September 30, 2017

Technical Notes

Varietal Content: 100% Tannat
AVA: Monticello
Aged 27 months in French Oak, 50% new
End pH: 3.51
Alcohol: 15.1%

Bottled: January 29, 2020
Case Production: 225
Release Date: Fall 2020
Bottle Price: \$35.99



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