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2016 Imperialis

— Vintage

A hard frost in late April meant lower yields across the state. Higher elevation sites with more moderate temperatures fared better. All ripening energy was focused on small clusters, giving us intensely flavorful, high acid fruit.

— Vineyard

The 2016 Tannat comes to us from Turk Mountain Vineyards. Nestled in the heart of Virginia's Monticello AVA at an elevation of 1,100 feet, deep loamy top soil gives way to granite bedrock.

— Winemaker's Notes

Modeled after a minimal intervention Vin Doux, the Imperialis is made in as natural a style as possible. After the addition of unaged brandy, it is allowed to slowly ferment for over a month before pressing off the skins.

— Harvest Date: September 21, 2016

Technical Notes

Varietal Content: • 100% Tannat •

AVA: Monticello

Aged 20 months in neutral French oak

End pH: 3.85

ABV: 17%

RS: 7.5%

Bottled: June 21, 2018

Case Production: 300

Release Date: October 2019

SRP: \$30.99

