

REGION/VINTAGE NOTES

Sourced exclusively from the Riboli Creston Vineyard in the Creston District of Paso Robles, this bold and expressive Tannat reflects the distinct character of its origin. Nestled among rolling hills and a peaceful bird sanctuary lake, the estate benefits from well-drained Arbuckle-Positas soils that shape its exceptional terroir. The 2022 vintage was defined by spring frosts, a dry summer, and a late-season heatwave, resulting in low yields and a condensed harvest. Despite the challenges, this Tannat exhibits remarkable concentration. The region's dramatic diurnal temperature swings helped preserve natural acidity and build complexity, delivering a richly structured, expressive wine.

WINEMAKER/TASTING NOTES

Originally hailing from the Basque region along the France–Spain border, Tannat is celebrated for its deep color, bold structure, and intense fruit character. The 2022 Opaque Tannat captures these hallmarks with precision. Aged for 30 months in new French oak, it opens with layered aromas of black currant, ripe berries, and tobacco. The palate is rich and juicy, showcasing flavors of plum and raspberry, accented by notes of dark chocolate, coffee, and vanilla. This full-bodied wine delivers vibrant acidity and a generous finish, with well-integrated tannins providing balance, structure, and lasting depth.

SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability is a top priority at Opaque Wines. Our Paso Robles vineyards are certified sustainable by the rigorous California Sustainable Wine Alliance (CSWA). At our Paso Robles winery, solar panels provide 100% of the needed electricity, and wastewater is effectively reclaimed and recycled for additional use.



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Appellation
Paso Robles

Varietal Breakdown
100% Tannat

AVA
Creston District
Willow Creek District

Vineyards
Riboli Creston ●
Jada Vineyard ●

Oak
100% New French Oak

Alcohol
14.1%

Aging
18 Months

pH
3.71

