2021 NERO D'AVOLA | REDTAIL

LANGETWINS

AMILY WINERY AND VINEYARDS

We respect the land where our vineyards grow - our family's connection to nature gives our wine its foundation and individuality. Distinct soil and climate coupled with responsible farming practices highlight the character of each vintage from our generational farm in Lodi, California.

GROWING SEASON

The 2021 vintage brought us the earliest start of harvest we've experienced, with our crews starting on July 26th. After our white and early red varietals were brought in to the winery, many of our red varietals were predicted to reach maturity at the same time. The compaction of the second half of the harvest season became both a challenge and priority for us. As Fall approached, the smaller fruit set, paired with consistently higher temperatures caused many red varietals to mature rapidly. Varietals such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, and Petite Sirah came off three weeks sooner than average, with slightly higher brix than targeted, although with good acidity. With all said and done, the vintage came in smaller than expected, though with outstanding quality that we are thrilled to present.

VINEYARD NOTES

In 2012 the Redtail Vineyard was planted adjacent to our winery in the heart of the Jahant AVA. The 3.62 acre block has open vines with small canopies allowing filtered sunlight to uniformly ripen clusters.

JAHANT AVA

Located in the center of the Lodi AVA, the Jahant AVA is geographically the smallest of Lodi's seven AVAs - a total size of 28,000 acres, with roughly 9,000 acres planted to vineyard. It sits on highly dissected river terraces and old floodplain deposits. The classic Mediterranean climate has Delta fog influence, and receives cold air drainage and entrapment within our vineyards.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2021 Nero d'Avola has an alluring scarlet hue and boasts a deceptive complexity in its bouquet. Notes of wild cherries, dried figs, dark chocolate, and earthy undertones develop within minutes of sitting in the glass. True to the variety, a vibrant acidity washes over the palate carrying these flavors through to a savory finish. This classic Sicilian wine pairs wonderful with oxtail ragu with tagliatelle.

WINE STATISTICS

SOIL COMPOSITION Loam. Derivation Mixed Rock. VINEYARD PHILOSOPHY Certified Sustainable TRELLISING Bilateral Cordon, Open Vertical Shoot Positioning LOCATION 38°12'27.7"N, 121°18'01.6"W CASES PRODUCED 514 | 6 Pack

AGING American & French Oak; 14 Months HARVEST DATE BRIX 23.2° September 4 **CLONE** ACRES Custom 3.62 **BOTTLE DATE ALCOHOL** June 20, 2023 13.5% RS TA PH 6.2 g/L 3.51 0.1 g/L

FAMILY WINERY AND VINEYARDS



NERO D'AVOLA

INEYA

redta

SOIL

SAN JOAQUIN LOAM

- Moderately deep to hardpan
- Dissected low terraces
- Formed in alluvium
- Derived from granite rock
- 20-100 ft above sea level
- Moderately well drained
- Permeability is very slow
- Low available water capacity
- Runoff is slow

CLONE

CUSTOM

- Chosen based on variety, site, climate, soil, vineyard design, cultural practices, and desired wine quality
- Produces very deep color with quality
- Prefers low to medium fertile soils

TRELLISING

OPEN VERTICAL SHOOT POSITIONING

- Vines trained upward with narrow fruit zone
- T-crossarm to train vine vertically
- Trellis optimized for natural air movement and speckled sunlight

ROOTSTOCK

S04

- Chosen based on resistance to soil pests, soil's texture, chemistry, depth, fertility, water availability, irrigation practice, vineyard design, and variety chosen
- Medium to low vigor
- Medium to low drought tolerance
- Works well in cool regions

