

Clendenen Family Vineyards

2014

Nebbiolo, "Punta Exclamativa"



Of the three Nebbiolos we make, the "Punta" is considered our "reserve" meaning it gets everything it needs to be the best. Old World techniques are utilized including 72 months in 500 liter Hungarian oak barrels and an additional 2 years bottle age.



AT A GLANCE

APPELLATION:
Santa Maria Valley

VINEYARD:
Bien Nacido Estate Plantings

VARIETAL:
100% Nebbiolo

COOPERAGE:
5 years 33% new François
Frères Hungarian oak
(500L barrels)

HARVEST: October 6, 2014

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

ACIDITY: 7.4 g/L

pH: 3.42

RESIDUAL SUGAR: <0

SUGGESTED RETAIL: \$75

From The Winemaker

The Nebbiolo is carefully picked and sorted in our special section of Bien Nacido Vineyard dedicated to Nebbiolo. All the grapes are destemmed and fermented in 5 ton, open top fermenters. The must is punched down at least twice a day and pressed at dryness. The wine is put in 500L barrels, one third of these are new, and racked once a year. We keep a close eye on this wine to keep it in good shape for long term barrel aging. After this period in barrel, the wine is very clear due to low pH and extended barrel time. No filtering or fining is necessary at bottling.

Tasting Notes

Classic, complex Nebbiolo notes of spiced cherries, licorice, and new leather give way to a medium to full-bodied, elegant, seamless wine that is reminiscent of a Barolo. Made only in the best years.

Food Pairings

Some Sunday start a meaty bolognese sauce, let it cook all day and boil some pasta and enjoy. If you have any left, enjoy it with a nice, ripe blue cheese and salad.

CLENDENEN FAMILY VINEYARDS

Created in 2000, the Clendenen Family brand is a project of passion. There is no doubt quality is here along with the ABC signature of balance, finesse, and longevity. Clendenen Family wines diversity offers something for everyone. The wines are true to their varietal characteristics, are beautifully balanced, and reflect the skill of the winemaking.

ACCOLADES

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