William Chris
VINEYARDS

2016 TEMPRANILLO

HIGH CROSS VINEYARDS
SUTTON COUNTY



100% Tempranillo | High Cross Vineyards | Sutton County | Texas

Alcohol: 14.2% | pH: 3.8
TA: 6.6 g/L | RS: 0 g/L
Malic Acid: 0 g/L

Soil: Clay loam with limestone rock laid over limestone
Aging: 10% new American oak, 10% new French oak, 80% neutral French oak for 20 months
Bottled: June 2018
Cases produced: 525

The tiny West Texas town of Sonora has a hold on Chris Brundrett. His mother, who spent time as a home health nurse, had a patient that would periodically come to the Brundrett house from his home in Sonora to stay for a few weeks. Chris remembers riding with his mom to return the visitor back to his home in Sonora. Being able to spend one on one time with his mother was special and so Chris has always associated the town and people of Sonora with fond memories.

When Chris heard that dedicated growers Cam and Erika Jane Campbell had an excess of fruit in 2012, Chris was happy to plan a visit to High Cross Vineyards two dozen miles outside Sonora to see if he could help. Once there, he loved the fruit and connected with the Campbells in that special way that West Texas people connect with each other – with a sense of familiarity, a willingness to help, and a shared appreciation of the work that goes into the land. Since that first meeting, William Chris has consistently received fruit from High Cross Vineyards.

The Texas High Plains experienced some late rain in 2016 that challenged some grape growers in the AVA. However, High Cross Vineyards is located in its own microclimate which is low desert outside of the Texas High Plains and insulated from the weather concerns. The 2016 Tempranillo was the same beautiful fruit William Chris has come to rely on and it produced a worthy partner for Italian food or simply for sipping.

Drink now through 2024.

Tomato Based Pasta | Roasted Vegetables | Cured Meats | Manchego | Parmesan | Asiago

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