William Chris
VINEYARDS

Focused on Texas grown wines made in an Old World style with low-intervention winemaking. Since 2008, founders William "Bill" Blackmon and Chris Brundrett have sourced grapes from Estate vineyards and partners alike, prizing sustainable practices and the expression of Texan terroir.

2019 SALT LICK VINEYARD BLEND

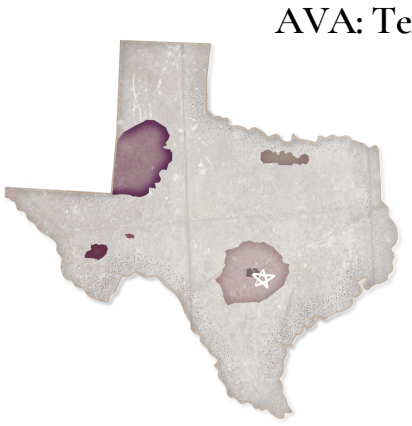
The Vineyard Blend series was first released in 2022 with the intent of showcasing the unique character and stories of select exceptional single-vineyard sites in Texas. Since 2015 Salt Lick Vineyard grapes have graced our program, creating wines grown with dedication to both local food and quality red wine in Dripping Springs.

VARIETIES: 56% Mourvèdre, 44% Syrah



Vineyard: Salt Lick Vineyard

AVA: Texas Hill Country



Salt Lick Vineyard was established in 2006 in Dripping Springs within Hays County. It is planted to red Rhône varieties, and Tempranillo, that not only succeed in the alluvial soil of the site, but in the warmth of the area. Vineyard manager Jay Knepp uses sustainable practices on the 50 acres he farms. Passionate about wine grape from an early age, his second passion is on pairing the right wine with Texas BBQ. This Mourvèdre-Syrah blend may be the perfect example.

2019 VINTAGE: A rainy May/June and warm and dry summer led into a September heat spike that shut down grapes, resulting in the latest Texas harvest in 10 years.

TASTING NOTES

Puréed plum, cranberry, and blue flowers. Medium bodied, smooth on the palate, with all of the ripe blue and black fruit mirrored in taste. Soft tannins compliment the wines fruitiness.

FOOD PAIRING



A wine teed up for heavily seasoned foods such as Italian sausage and yellow curry.

WINEMAKING: 5% French oak barrels (Nadalie) and 95% neutral oak barrels for 26 months.

HARVEST: Machine harvested

AGE OF VINES: 13 years

SOIL TYPE: Rocky alluvial soil

ELEVATION: 1,000 ft

ABV: 14.2% | pH: 3.85 | TA: 5.9 g/L | RS: 0.3 g/L

Serve at 59 °F | Decant

Drink now to 2030

CASES PRODUCED: 479

BOTTLING DATE: 11/16/2021

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