



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.

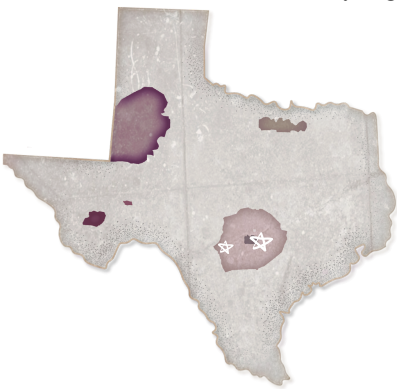
2019 TANNAT Hye Estate Vineyard

Known in countries such as France and Uruguay for its exceptionally tannic structure, Tannat (TUH-nawt) is proving to be a defining red grape variety across the state of Texas. Deep in color, rich in flavor, and powerful, our own Estate provides a unique set of conditions that yield a Tannat that tastes like no other.

VARIETIES: 100% Tannat

Vineyard: Hye Estate Vineyard (95%), Loyal Valley Vineyard (5%)

AVA: Texas Hill Country



Hye Estate is home to 20 acres of tasting rooms, production facilities, an old farmhouse, and about 6.5 total acres of grapevines. Planted in 2012 and 2015, just under 2 acres of Tannat vines are rooted in nitrogen-rich soil previously under riverbed. That combined with a limestone base has made for a powerful grape with incredible aromatic potential. Because of it's success in humid conditions, Tannat will continue to be planted there.

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.

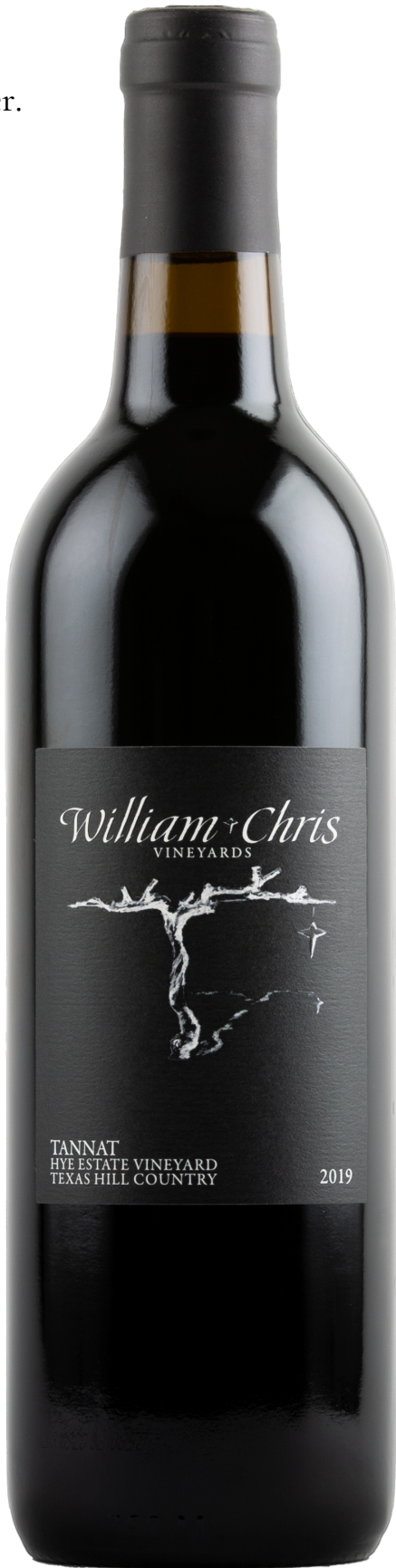
TASTING NOTES

Rich and jammy, led by prunes and fig jam, freesia, walnut oil, vanilla bean pod, woodland black cherry, kirsch, and clove. Grippy, chunky ripe tannins that will soften over time in bottle. Full-bodied, high acidity wrapped with flavors of ripe plum, stone, and steel.

FOOD PAIRING



Black forest cake with whipped cream, lamb chops, and triple cream cheeses.



WINEMAKING: Fermented at warm temperatures for restrained tannin extraction for 6 days in stainless and concrete vessels. Aged in 20% new French oak barriques and 80% neutral oak puncheons for 34 months.

AGE OF VINES: 4-7 years

Serve at 59° | Decant

SOIL TYPE: Riverbed, nitrogen-rich, limestone base

Drink now to 2036

ELEVATION: 1,450 ft

CASES PRODUCED: 619

ABV: 14.2% | pH: 3.86 | TA: 7.3 g/L | RS: 0.0 g/L

BOTTLING DATE: 06/01/2022



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