

William Chris VINEYARDS

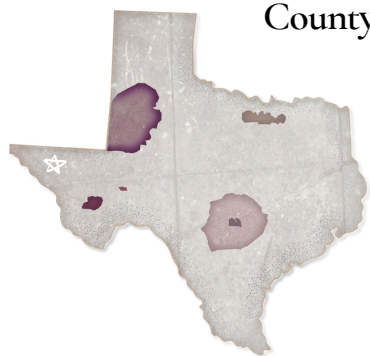
Focused on Texas grown wines made in an Old World style with low-intervention winemaking. Since 2008, founders William "Bill" Blackmon and Chris Brundrett have sourced grapes from Estate vineyards and partners alike, prizing sustainable practices and the expression of Texan terroir.

2020 DELL VALLEY VINEYARD BLEND

The Vineyard Blend Series was created with the intent of showcasing the unique character and stories of select exceptional single-vineyard sites in Texas. Dell Valley is one of the oldest modern vineyards planted in Texas, and currently sits outside of any defined American Viticultural Area. Far out West, this vineyard sits amongst the tallest Texan mountain range.

VARIETIES: 54% Tempranillo, 27% Syrah, 15% Petite Sirah, 4% Malbec

Vineyard: Dell Valley Vineyard



County: Hudspeth

Continuously planted since 1987, the vines at Dell Valley are deeply rooted in sloped sandy, caliche soils at over 3,500 ft elevation. Sitting next to vast alfalfa fields outside of any currently designated American Viticultural Area, the vines are mightily tended by Philipe, whose experience with growing grapevines began at an early age on the French island of Corsica.

2020 VINTAGE: Low yields after a 2019 freeze resulted in highly concentrated, well-balanced fruit that is packed with character.

TASTING NOTES

Wild berries, blackberry cobbler and eucalyptus notes on the nose lead into smoke and stone notes. The palate is as wild as the perfume, but with a lovely salty edge reminiscent of Dell Valley terroir. Dry, full-bodied, and decadent. Decant.

FOOD PAIRING



Pair with burnt ends, bacon wrapped dates, or a strip loin with a blackberry red wine demi-glace.



WINEMAKING: Fermented in all stainless steel for an average of 8 days.

Aged 31 months in 15% new French oak barrels and 85% neutral French oak barrels.

AGE OF VINES: Average 10 years

Serve at 59°F | Decant

ELEVATION: 3,650 - 5,000 ft

Drink now to 2029

SOIL TYPE: Sandy loam over caliche soil

ABV: 14.7% | pH: 3.84 | TA: 6.30 g/L | RS: 2.18 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 599



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100% Texas grown wines.