

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 MALBEC Newsom Vineyards

Thin-skinned yet inky in color, Malbec is a black grape variety that rewards its growers with rich, wild aromas. Whilst insisting on growing in a climate that is quite warm to ripen fully, the grape is also susceptible to the many challenges of growing in Texas. Only select sites and responsible growers can coax Malbec out of Texas.

VARIETIES: 100% Malbec

Vineyard: Newsom Vineyards

AVA: Texas High Plains



Established in Yoakum County by the Newsom family, they now have about 150 acres of quality fruit growing in the flat, semi-arid conditions there. Neal Newsom, who grew up in Yoakum, came from a long line of cotton farmers. With cotton as a thirsty crop, requiring more water than Texas often has to give, he looked toward alternative crops and settled on growing high quality grapes from their dry, shallow, poor soils that cause the grapes to struggle.

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

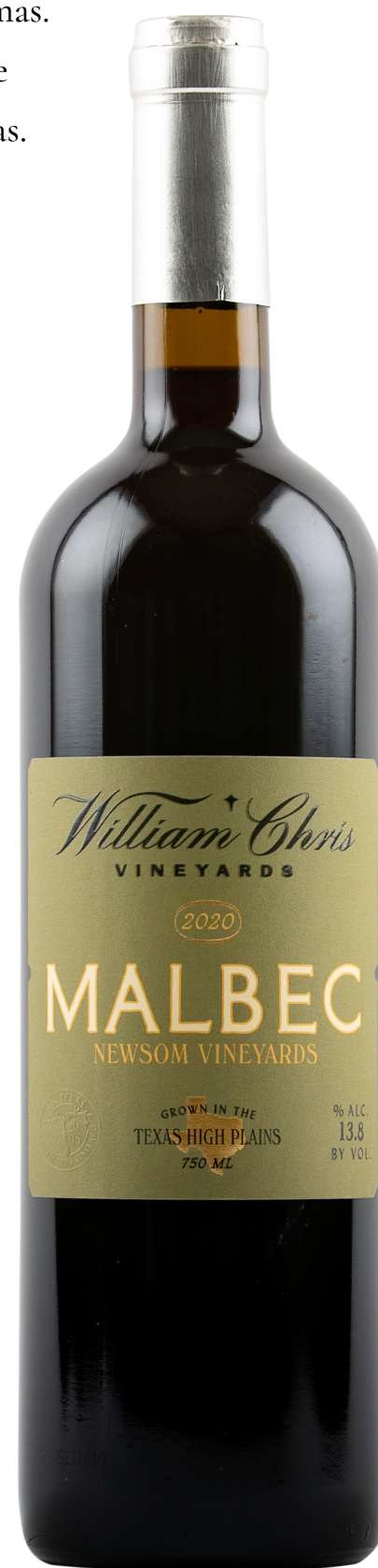
TASTING NOTES

A deep, dark nose of kirsch and wild blackberry, cacao, rosemary and tobacco leaf, drenched with flint and smoke notes. Decant to unveil elegant rose and jasmine notes. The silky coating tannins are luxurious on a velvety full-bodied palate that finishes subtly - without heat.

FOOD PAIRING



Pair with playful, flavorful dishes - eggplant parmesan, fried quail, and balsamic glazed meats.



WINEMAKING: Fermented in large oak fermenter after a 3 day cold soak. Fermented for 6 days at 92°F.

Aged for 14 months in neutral French oak barrels.

AGE OF VINES: 30 years

Serve at 59°F | Decant

SOIL TYPE: Shallow, low-vigor sandy loam

Drink now to 2033

ELEVATION: 3,700 ft

ABV: 13.8% | pH: 3.67 | TA: 6.3 g/L | RS: 1.1 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 46



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100% Texas grown wines.