

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.

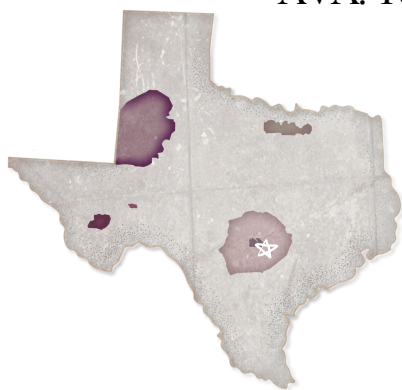
2020 SALT LICK VINEYARD BLEND

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: 57% Mourvèdre, 43% 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.

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

TASTING NOTES

Wild blackberry opens the nose, with cinnamon, granite, savory notes and brambly fruit. More wistful aromas of deep violet, rosemary, and white tea balance out stronger notes of grilled plum. Surprisingly firm tannins, a touch of heat, and great balance. Full-bodied.

FOOD PAIRING



Pair with carpaccio, rare elk loin, and duck confit potatoes.



WINEMAKING: Partial field blend fermentation. 12 days on skins, stainless steel fermentation.

100% neutral oak barrel aging for 18 months.

AGE OF VINES: 14 years

Serve at 59°F | Decant gently

SOIL TYPE: Rocky alluvial soil

Drink now to 2033

ELEVATION: 1,000 ft

ABV: 13.6% | pH: 3.68 | TA: 6.1 g/L | RS: 1.02 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 633



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100% Texas grown wines.