

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.

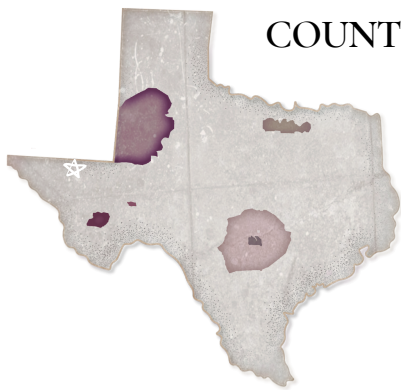
2023 DELL VALLEY BLEND

The Vineyard Blend Series, or “Soil Series” was created with the intent of showcasing the unique character of exceptional single-vineyard sites in Texas. Dell Valley Vineyard is one of the oldest modern vineyards planted in Texas, and currently sits outside of any defined American Viticultural Area, in the shadow of the tallest mountain in Texas.

VARIETIES: 62% Tempranillo, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Petit Verdot

VINEYARD: Dell Valley Vineyard

COUNTY: Hudspeth



Continuously added to 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.

2023 VINTAGE: Much needed rain and mild temperatures came before weeks of 100+°F temperatures, giving grapes ideal pH and acidity levels with great balance.

TASTING NOTES

Ripe and boisterously fruity, yet with a soft, medium body deserving of a slightly cooler drinking temperature. Smoke and plum define the nose, with a creamy note that feels luxurious. The alcohol gives the wine a round, soft feel, and integrates nicely with plentiful meltaway tannins.

FOOD PAIRING



Pair with hearty meat dishes like fajitas, chili (with or without beans), or stuffed poblano or portabellas.



WINEMAKING: Cabernet Sauvignon fermented in stainless steel tanks and all else in large oak fermenters for about 15 days. Aged separately in 15% new French oak barrels and 85% neutral oak barrels for 16 months.

AGE OF VINES: About 8 years

Serve at 59°F

SOIL TYPE: Sandy loam over caliche with river rock

Ideal to drink between now and 2030

ELEVATION: 3,750 feet

ABV: 14.2% | pH: 4.08 | TA: 5.16 g/L | RS: 1.06 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 662



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100% Texas grown wines.