

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.

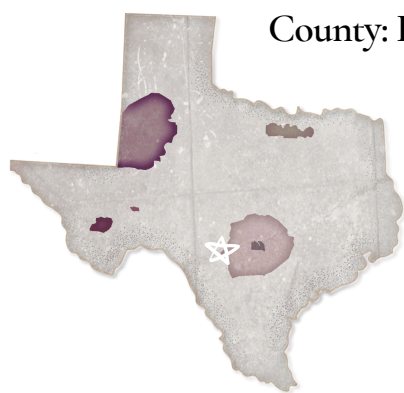
BLACK JACQUE

The Black Spanish grape, also known as Lenoir, is a favorite of Texas, particularly in the Southern and Eastern portions of the state that suffer both heat and humidity. This grape is as robust in the vineyard as it is in a wine, creating deeply-colored dry and sweet styles balanced by a depth of flavor that is distinctly Texan, and often age-worthy.

VARIETIES: 100% Black Spanish

Vineyard: Polvadeau Vineyard

County: Bandera County



Polvadeau Vineyard, also known as Slaughter Vineyard, specializes in growing the Black Spanish grape. Established in 2006 in Vanderpool, Texas, they are situated in the Sabinal Canyon along the Sabinal River. Their 15 acres are owned and run by Tom and Glenda Slaughter on land that was granted to Glenda's family (the Polvadeau's) since before Texas was officially a state.

2014 VINTAGE: After a horrendous 2013 vintage, the 2014 vintage also suffered a late freeze in April. However, while production numbers were down in 2014, the quality of the grapes was incredible.

TASTING NOTES

Heady with black cherry porter notes, black pepper, sweet leather, Earl grey tea with cream, and figgy pudding! Deep and dark, with wild berries throughout, and a charred meat depth. This lusciously sweet wine has loads of character, and a tart bite just like a fresh strawberry.

FOOD PAIRING



Pair with charred most brisket, maple-glazed ham, and chocolate pecan pie.



WINEMAKING: Macerated with the skins for a few days at warm temperatures. Fermentation was stopped by the addition of brandy. The wine aged in neutral French oak barrels for eight years. Unfiltered for longevity.

Serve at 49°F

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AGE OF VINES: 9 years

SOIL TYPE: Exposed limestone bedrock with silty clay, gravel and clay loam

Bottled in May 2024

ELEVATION: 1,575 ft

BOTTLE SIZE: 500 mL

ABV: 19.2% | pH: 4.05 | TA: 6.53 g/L | RS: 69.82 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 150



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100% Texas grown wines.