ADELAIDA DISTRICT

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SYRAH

ANNA'S ESTATE VINEYARD

2022

AROMA Blueberry, Boysenberry, Hickory smoke, Lavendar

FLAVOR Black cherry, Black pepper, Fennel, Tarragon, French vanilla

FOOD Red wine braised chuck roast with fresh cracked black pepper over

PAIRINGS herbed polenta;

Prime rib with fresh horesradish cream

VINEYARD Anna's Estate Vineyard | 1595 - 1935 feet

DETAILS Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida's organically-farmed estate vineyards are located in the coastal influenced Santa Lucia Mountain Range on the west side of the Paso Robles AVA. Situated on steep hillsides, these sites lie within the Adelaida District, a sub-appellation in the northwest corner of the wine region. With elevations ranging from 1400 - 2050 ft, limestone subsoils, and extreme diurnal temperature swings, averaging 45 degrees, Adelaida produces wines with distinct expressions of their site.

The 2022 vintage started with roughly 20 inches of rainfall and hinted at consistent summer temperatures that did not see peaks or troughs. This was until our extreme heat event that expedited harvest and will likely mark the vintage for all of California. The heat wave hit at the exact moment when the fruit was at the tail end of its ripening journey. With over a week of 105-degree-plus temperatures, this vintage forced vintners/viticulturists to decide on picking grapes early with higher acids or later, running the possibility of over-ripe fruit.

The 2022 Illustration Series is our most approachable Syrah at a young age. This full-bodied wine captivates the senses with its intense and pronounced character. The bouquet offers a delightful array of rich aromas, including the enticing scent of dark chocolate-covered acai berries, sweet blueberry jam, and a hint of spicy black pepper. On the palate, indulgent flavors unfold, featuring succulent black cherry, molasses, and the unique essence of Adelaida chaparral. This wine is perfect for enjoyment right now. Enjoy through 2029



| VARIETAL | Syrah 100% | COOPERAGE | Aged for 18 months in 50% new French oak barrel |
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| ALCOHOL | 14.3% | RELEASE | Spring 2025 |
| CASES | 600 | RETAIL | \$50 |