

abstract

2012 red wine California Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino, Amador, and El Dorado

"There is no abstract art. You must always start with something. Afterward you can remove all traces of reality." - Pablo Picasso

We are very excited to offer you the newest edition of Abstract. We consider this wine to be the culmination of a thirteen-year process. From 2000-2012 I spent countless hours in vineyards and in blending trials working to perfect The Prisoner. I have taken all that knowledge, both the trials and tribulations, and diligently applied it to Abstract. With The Prisoner chapter of winemaking behind us, we feel as if a natural progression has been made and an evolution has occurred at Orin Swift. We are proud to share that with you in the form of Abstract, our finest blend to date. Our ongoing pursuit of choice vineyards throughout California resulted in some extraordinary Grenache, along with exquisite Petit Sirah, and Syrah that we assembled together into an artful collage both in and outside of the bottle.

Winemaker's Notes

Inky blue-purple in complexion, the wine bursts with a perfume of dark fruit, sage, acacia flowers, kirsch, and a hint of California chaparral. Voluptuous in texture, the wine is remarkably fresh on the palate with ripe blackberry, mulberry, roasted plum, black tea, and bitter chocolate. A sweet and soft tannin profile rounds out the finish, which lingers elegantly.

Blend

Grenache, Petite Sirah and Syrah

Maturation

Aged for 10 months in a combination of new and seasoned French Oak.

Alc/Vol