



2018 Clair de Lune

Santa Lucia Highlands

Overview

Steve McIntyre is one of the most knowledgeable viticulturists in California. As owner/operator of Monterey Pacific, his team farms 15,000 acres in Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties and has planted or farmed nearly one quarter of the vineyards in the Santa Lucia Highlands AVA. This blend of Riesling and Gewurztraminer is named after the song by the same name and is a portion of the name of Kim's first Bernese Mountain dog, Jura's Clair de Lune who went on to become her breeding foundation female.

Vineyards

While it is never easy to compensate for Mother Nature's peculiarities, this wine is undoubtedly enhanced by the work we did in the vineyard. The Riesling came from Kristy's Vineyard and the Gewürztraminer from Los Ositos Vineyard just south of Greenfield, California along the Highway 101 corridor. Both vineyards are certified Sustainable under the SIP certification program. The grapes were machine harvested in late October.



Winemaking

These grapes were vinified separately at Scheid Winery in Greenfield and the blend was artfully assembled by Eric Laumann of Cambiata fame.

Steve's Tasting Notes

Fresh, graceful and full of energy, this wine's aroma is reminiscent of rose petals, grapefruit, with hints of apricot and melon. Intense, but not overripe, with focused acidity and plenty of slate and mineral notes this wine is the perfect complement to the end of a great day!

Vital Statistics

Composition	80% Riesling and 20% Gewurztraminer
Vineyard	Kristy's Vineyard and Los Ositos Vineyard respectively
AVA	Monterey
Total Acidity	0.73 grams/100ml
Residual Sugar	1.2 g/100ml
PH	3.20
Alcohol	12.1%
Cases Produced	200
SRP	\$18