

# Jada

## Jada Vineyard & Winery, Willow Creek District, Paso Robles

Where the intensity of elevated sunshine, high pH soils, and ocean influences come together with our aspirations for Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon.

## 2019 WCS Jack John

88% Grenache, 10% Graciano, 2% Syrah • 175 cases produced

A Grenache focused wine blended from the highest quality sections of each block. The wine is made using a high percentage of whole cluster fruit during fermentation, and maturation proceeds in mostly large format, oak barrels and/ or concrete tanks.



### THE REGION

The Willow Creek District has loam and calcareous hillsides resembling the Southern Rhone. Proximity to the ocean draws cooling afternoon winds creating large diurnal temperature swings that extend the growing season - increasing complexity and intensity. Willow Creek became an official AVA subregion in 2014.

### THE VINEYARD

The mixed soils of the site were planted in 1999. We farm using organic, biodynamic, and sustainable farming techniques and in 2018, we received a SWEEP grant from the CDFA for our commitment to sustainability.

### THE 2019 VINTAGE

- The 2019 vintage saw moderate temperatures from bloom through the end of October, marked by only brief, low-intensity heatwaves.
- Lower temperatures allowed for uninterrupted ripening and longer hang times, resulting in extremely dark and aromatic fruit from all varieties.

### THE VINIFICATION

**Winemaker: Joshua Harp**

All grapes were hand harvested before dawn with vineyard cluster sorting and winery berry sorting. Harvest began with an early pick of Grenache on October 10, used for a 24.7% whole cluster tank. The final picks of Grenache and remaining Graciano and Syrah were harvested between October 19 and 24. Each lot underwent 24-96 hours of cold maceration. The grapes were fermented in stainless steel, close-top tanks and one Macrobin for 10-16 days.

- Alcohol: 15.2% | ph: 3.66 | TA: 6.1 g/L
- Bottled on March 23, 2021



### features:

- 15 miles from the Pacific Ocean's strong cooling influence
- Clay loam and limestone-rich calcareous soils impart natural acidity
- High pH soils provide dark colors ideal for Rhone and Bordeaux varietals
- 1000' elevation is just above the the fog line.
- Abundant sunshine in the growing season

### clone/rootstock:

- Grenache: Alban/ 420A
- Graciano: 571/1103P
- Syrah: 383/420A

- Harvest began nearly two weeks later than 2018, likely due to the cooler temperatures and later bloom and fruit set, but continued into November.
- Fermentations revealed higher color than expected from the vineyard, paired with balanced tannin and no over-ripe flavors

### fermentation:

- Blend of 3 separate fermentations: Grenache (10.6% whole Cluster)/ Graciano co-fermentation, Grenache (24.7% whole cluster), and a Graciano/ Syrah (clone 383) co-fermentation. Overall 14.5% whole cluster.
- 16 Months in 30% new French oak, 30% once-used French oak, 40% neutral oak.
- 60% 500L, 21% 350L, 19% 228L.
- Cooperages: Boutes, Meyrieux.
- The wine was bottled unfined & unfiltered.