

Sans Liege Wines EN GEDI

TECHNICAL INFO

VINTAGE: 2016

VARIETAL: Grenache

APPELLATION: Santa Barbara County

VINEYARDS: Santa Barbara Highlands

- Alta Mesa, John Sebastiano,

Bien Nacido

ALC: 15.4%

PRODUCTION: 6 barrels

OAK: 48% neutral french barriques, 26% new french puncheons, 26% neutral

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TIME IN BARREL: 20 months in French

Oak

AGING POTENTIAL: 6-10 years

RELEASE DATE: October 4th, 2019

SERVING RECOMMENDATION: Decant 2 hours, serve slightly above cellar

temperature (55-60F)

Far above the desert of the Cuyama Valley lies a lush and verdant vineyard, set like the oasis of En Gedi amid the dry Judean Desert. With peculiar grace, the unlikely Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard delivers incomparably profound Grenache vintage after vintage. I am indebted to this place for showing me that the only way to ascend is by climbing from below.

ABOUT SANS LIEGE

Sans Liege is my relentless search for independence. Equally aligned with the freedoms of the New World and the heritage of the Rhône Valley, I am careful not to hold too closely to either. Tending fruit in vineyards that have captured my heart from Paso Robles down to Solvang, these sites speak for me and I for them; the only partners now on this path I tread.

- Curt Schalchlin, Winemaker

TASTING NOTES

Finally finding sanctuary from the cold, you step into the warmly lit café and are enveloped by scents of **clove**, **smoked cedar**, and **bergamot**. Folks are gathered on overstuffed leather sofas & chairs conversing in hushed voices. Aromas of **cinnamon** and **bay leaf** waft through the comfortable space. You order a hot **cocoa** adorned with **homemade raspberry marshmallows** and gratefully enfold the mug in your hands.





