"EN GEDI"



Vintage: 2010

Varietal: 67% Grenache Noir (Alta Block), 24% Alban clone Grenache (Red River Block), 9% Syrah (clone 99, Alta Mesa Block)

<u>Appellation:</u> Santa Barbara County

<u>Vineyards:</u> Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard sitting between 2900 & 3200 ft elevation

Alc: 15.9%

Production: 21 barrels made

Oak: All French - 7% new oak, 47% second fill oak barriques, 46% neutral oak puncheons

Time in Barrel: 22 months

Fermentation:

20% Whole-Cluster Fernented

Aging Potential: 8-10 years

Release Date: 10/4/2012

Serving Recommendation:

Decant for 2-4 hours and drink just below room temperature

Handmade by Curt Schalchlin, the owner and winemaker of Sans Liege Wines. After several years learning from and working for some of the Central Coast's most sought-after producers, Curt decided to go his own way. Sans Liege is an expression of his distinctive approach to winemaking. This release is comprised of five wines originating in a handful of the Central Coast's most up-and-coming vineyards.



The Alta Mesa block of the Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard is in many ways the heart of Sans Liege, it is far-off, unknown and alluring. A dark, penetrating and dancing wine the 2010 En Gedi is a testament to the deep power the vineyard holds. Scents of violet, soft leather, raspberry coulis and fresh hewn redwood circle around a velveteen palate of dried cherry, Chambord, thyme and seared bread with brooding, black tannins. A wine to be had at the moment of insight into a lifelong riddle.



- 1. Dense (unpacks radically)
- 2. Age-worthy 'will develop in bottle for years)
- Extreme Origins (high-elevation farming)
- 4. Balanced (layers of diverse flavors)

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