

# Sans Liege Wines

## PICKPOCKET



### TECHNICAL INFO

**VINTAGE:** 2018

**VARIETAL:** Grenache

**APPELLATION:** Central Coast

**VINEYARD:** Derby, Bien Nacido, Spanish Springs, Jack Creek, Slide Hill

**ALC:** 15.4%

**PRODUCTION:** 2 Barriques and 5 Puncheons

**OAK:** 20 months in French oak: 51% new, 17% second-fill, 17% neutral

**AGING POTENTIAL:** 8-10 years

**SERVING RECOMMENDATION:**

Decant for two hours, serve slightly below room temperature.

*Sometimes privilege is better stolen than grated. While hand harvesting one cluster at a time, I quietly amassed a fortune of the finest fruit available from Paso Robles' West Side vineyards to make this Pickpocket Grenache. But while the profit is great on a pittance that's slowly gathered, a crook can't hide in the shadows forever.*

### 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

The small box, ornately carved from **sandalwood**, is tucked safely away inside a **suede** bag. He recognized its value and took it when no one was looking. Turning down a dirt road lined with **raspberry** brambles he looks in the rearview. No one - he smiles to himself and takes a sip **birch** beer. The windows are down and the late afternoon air smells of **cinnamon**, **anise** and **slate**. Dust rises behind him now - there's a car - the chase is on.