



Estate Vineyard and Winery | Livermore Valley

WINERY AND VINEYARD

Rodrigue Molyneaux Estate Winery and Vineyard sits on 5 acres in the Livermore Valley AVA. We have been producing fine Bordeaux and Italian style wines and blends since 1998. The Livermore Valley AVA is situated 30 miles east of the Pacific Ocean. This proximity to the ocean, with foothills surrounding the valley, creates temperature fluctuations perfect for grape growing. Vines develop deep roots in the alluvial soils deposited over ancient riverbeds that left behind mineral rich soils.

WINEMAKING

2.77 tons were harvested from the Crackerbox vineyard on 9/18/20. The grapes were destemmed and fermented on skins for 12 days with CLOS yeast, before being pressed off the skins and barreled down to 8 barrels. It was aged in 23% new French oak, 2% 2nd-use American oak, and 75% neutral oak for 20 months. It went through medium filtration, and 193 cases were bottled on 7/13/2022 at 15.1% ABV.

TASTING NOTES

Immediately, you are hit by a perfumed puff of cedar and flowers, but the cranberry, orange peel, and rose aromas just beneath assure you that it is definitely Sangiovese. It has a medium body, loads of red fruit, and a touch of candied cherry. That candied perception is quickly washed away, however, with a lingering, balanced finish. This is, after all, a serious Sangiovese, made in a technique that respects the grape and its heritage.

AWARDS

94 pts., Gold - 2024 California State Fair
92 pts. - 2024 Wine Enthusiast

FOOD PAIRING

Margherita Pizza • Grilled Eggplant • Braised Pork Meatballs

2020 Sangiovese Livermore Valley Red



VINEYARD SITES

Crackerbox Vineyard

CASES PRODUCED

193

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

97% Sangiovese
2% Nebbiolo
1% Petit Verdot

Alcohol: 15.1%