

SEXTANT 2012

MARSELAN CABERNET SAUVIGNON X GRENACHE



APPELLATION: Paso Robles, California

WINEMAKING: The fruit was sourced from our estate vineyard in the El Pomar district of Paso Robles. After harvest, the fruit was sorted and gently destemmed into small 1.5 ton fermenters. After a 2-3 day cold soak the fermentation was inoculated. At around 3 Brix the free run was drained and the must gently pressed directly to barrel where it underwent Malo-lactic fermentation. The wine aged for 18 months in 30% new French oak.

TASTING NOTES: Marselan originates from the Languedoc, a recently re-invigorated wine region in the Southwest of France. Now planted by Sextant Wines, it stands to be a varietal that will flourish in its new Central Coast surroundings. This wine is rich and delicious, prominently Cabernet Sauvignon at first sip but with Grenache signatures at the mid-palate. Strawberries and damson plums ease into notes of dusty cinnamon and smoky cedar. Tinges of espresso, thyme, and wild herbs release in the prolonged finish.

TECHNICAL NOTES:	pH - 3.92
Malolactic Fermentation - 100%	Residual Sugar - .12
Total Acidity - .57g	Alcohol - 16.2%

BOTTLED: April 21, 2014

SUGGESTED AGING: Enjoy now or cellar through 2019.



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