



2018 "Rougarou" Old-Vine Carignan
McCormick Ranch Vineyard, Pauma Valley, San Diego County
48 cases produced

- ABV: 14%
- pH: 3.8
- TA: 0.798g/100mL
- Vineyard soils: Decomposed granite, sandy & stony loam
- Vine age: 39 years. The vineyard has survived two fires in its lifetime.
- Pick date: 9/28/17
- Brix at harvest: 23°
- Hand-picked at sunrise
- 100 percent destemmed
- Native primary & malolactic fermentations
- 11 months aging in neutral French oak barrels
- Racked once before bottling
- Approximate total SO₂ content: 15ppm (added before bottling)
- Unfined & unfiltered
- Bottled August 16, 2019
- The Name: The Rougarou (pronounced *Roo-gah-roo*) is a legendary Cajun shapeshifter, part-animal, connected to the sacred rhythms of the earth, often feared and misunderstood by those who do not understand it. This minimally tended survivor vineyard (in San Diego!) produces a shapeshifting, unexpected wine of concentration and surprise. No fear, here.
- Winemakers: Emily Towe & Jody Brix Towe
- Suggested retail price: \$25