

# BIANCHI

## 2019 DUALITY RED CUVÉE RESERVE BLEND

This unique blend has been named “Duality” for not just one, but many instances of uniquely contrasting elements within one beautifully complex wine. A blend of Paso Robles’s renowned Zinfandel (where our winery currently resides,) and Italy’s famous Sangiovese (where the Bianchi family originated) speak to the very roots of the Bianchi family—present and past.

### VINEYARD

For this 2019 Duality Blend, we took top tier Zinfandel fruit from AaronHill and Boniva Vineyards in Paso Robles and sustainably farmed Sangiovese from Scheid Vineyard in Monterey, vinified each separately and tasted and blended them just before bottling.

Only about 10 miles apart, Bonivo and AronHill Vineyards both produce high quality fruit in small batches. Located in and around the town of Templeton, these vineyards both benefit from higher humidity and the coolest temperatures in Paso Robles. The soil here is high in calcareous material, so vineyards are planted in pockets with a deep soil profile. This allows vines to grow deep, well-established root systems that are able to maximize their exposure to any soil moisture content. Because of these deep soil pockets, (and the annual 20 inches of rainfall,) vineyards like AronHill are able to dry-farm their vines, producing fruit that is intense in color and flavor.

The Sangiovese from Scheid is grown in the very small San Lucas Vineyard, benefiting from warm days followed by cool winds in the later afternoon. Scheid takes pride in the sustainability of their vineyards, using 100% drip irrigation with technology that senses soil moisture and monitors plant stress. They also plant cover crops between the vineyard rows to naturally improve soil health, and install owl boxes amongst the vineyards to help control rodents and other pests in a natural and balanced way.

This unique blend of Zinfandel and Sangiovese maintains the slightly spicy, big-bodied, fruit-forward, intense characteristic of Zinfandel, but is balanced by a more light bodied, red fruit and savory flavored Sangiovese.

### TASTING & PAIRING

*Appearance: Deep & dark purple with slight rim variation*

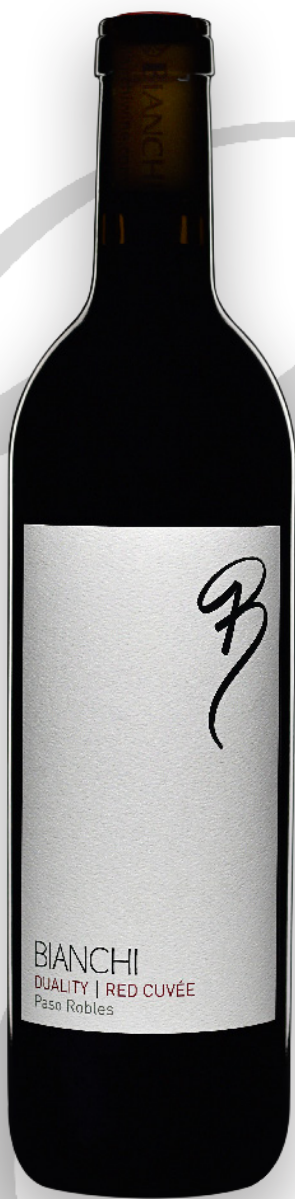
*Aroma: Fruity & baking spice aromas. Blackberry jam, cool slate, cinnamon, blueberry pie*

*Flavor: Big, jammy fruit, blueberry pie, boysenberry, chocolate, mocha, sweet nutmeg, bone-dry, medium-big body. Complex and long finish.*

The 2019 “Duality” Red Cuvée is a striking blend of just two varietals that has resulted in a deep purple beauty smelling deeply of blackberry jam, cool slate, cinnamon and blueberry pie. On the palate, the familiar big, jammy fruit from the Zinfandel is dominant up front, but develops nicely into ripe boysenberries, sweet nutmeg and finishes long and complex with silky mocha undertones. Open this bottle on a special occasion that calls for indulgence and celebration!



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**Varietal:** 75% Zinfandel and 25% Sangiovese

**Aging:** 24 months, new French oak

**Clone:** 7 (Zinfandel)

**Vineyard:** AaronHill, Boniva & Scheid Vineyards

**Appellation:** Paso Robles & Monterey County

**R/S:** 0.03

**Acidity:** 3.8pH

**ABV:** 15.8%

**Production:** 350 cases

**Harvest Date:** AaronHill – 10/16/19, Boniva –

10/06/19, Scheid – 09/25/19

**Bottling Date:** 04/08/21