

BIANCHI

2020 RESERVE PORT OF SYRAH

VINEYARD + VINTAGE

Crafted from Syrah grown at Briarwood Vineyard in Paso Robles, this fortified dessert wine captures both the power of Paso fruit and the richness of traditional port-style winemaking. The vineyard's location in the Templeton Gap AVA benefits from dramatic diurnal temperature shifts and complex soils, producing fruit with exceptional concentration and balance. Inspired by classic Ruby Port styles, this wine emphasizes youthful fruit character, vibrant color, and luxurious texture.

VINIFICATION

Produced from 100% Syrah, this wine was fortified with neutral grape spirits and aged for 20 months in French oak, including maturation in older François Frères barrels. The fortification process preserves natural sweetness while enhancing richness and longevity, creating a wine that balances ripe fruit, oak influence, and warming intensity.

TASTING + PAIRING

This wine displays a deep color intensity with a vibrant purple hue and defined rim variation. Aromas of caramel, roasted nuts, baking spice, wood spice, dark chocolate, and ripe black fruit rise from the glass. Notes of leather, slate, and subtle oak complexity add depth and intrigue. On the palate, rich flavors of plum, black grape, dark chocolate, and warm spice unfold across a full-bodied texture. The sweetness is balanced by structure and depth, leading to a smooth, lingering finish marked by cocoa, oak, and concentrated fruit character.

A natural companion to dessert, this Reserve Port pairs beautifully with dark chocolate torte, flourless chocolate cake, blue cheese, roasted nuts, crème brûlée, and aged cheeses. It also shines as a contemplative after-dinner wine served on its own.



Fortified with Neutral Grape Spirits

REGION & VARIETAL COMPOSITION



Harvest Date: 10.5.20 & Bottle Date 6.1.22

R.S.: 9.0% pH: 3.77

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