



2016 Favia ROMPECABEZAS Red Wine Amador County

Spanish for "jig-saw puzzle," our Rompecabezas is inspired by the wines of the Southern Rhone, but of course is decidedly Californian in nature. With each successive vintage, the wine has gained in density and complexity, as the vines gain footing, and Ann's vineyard team gains perspective and foresight.

Whole cluster, rich, muscular Grenache, with notes of cocoa, bing cherry, and Santa Rosa plum skin, was co-fermented with fresh, vibrant Mourvedre. After a long, controlled maceration, the wine was blended with Syrah and aged in predominantly neutral French oak barrels for twenty months. Bottled without fining or filtration, the wine retains the subtle nuances that give it such an attractive character: dried rose petals, cardamom, fresh raspberry, and graphite. The fine-grained tannic structure of the wine helps to deliver these subtle yet intense flavors that continue to flow long after the finish. It is both focused and expansive, and more complex with each sip. Certainly a pleasantly complex puzzle of flavors and textures.

51% Grenache, 33% Mourvedre and 16% Syrah
233 cases produced