



### **Tremor**

Redefining the GSM, Tremor is a blend of 65% Grenache, 30% Merlot, and 5% Syrah. The vineyards from which each of the three varietals are derived, run parallel to the infamous San Andreas Fault, which has played a central role in defining the region's geological profile. Each site injects its own unique personality into this true Los Angeles cuvée, while their flavors meld together in unique, perfectly balanced harmony.

### **Vintage Notes**

The 2016 vintage in Los Angeles was similar in nature to the previous drought years, but did not suffer the same tiny yields as '14 and '15. The perennial heat waves that make their way through the harvest season were mild and short in duration, allowing the grapes to remain on the vine until perfect ripeness was achieved. The resulting wines feature luscious fruit, bright acidity, and perfectly ripened tannins.

### **Winegrowing & Production Notes**

In the foothills of the northeast corner of Antelope Valley lies Neenach Ranch Vineyard. At 3,000 ft. elevation on a mild, almost imperceptible slope, the Grenache flourishes. Just a few miles south, is Smith Family Vineyards and the Merlot that adds softness and floral characteristics to the wine. Planted in 2001, the 17 year old vines produce fruit with great depth and character. Lastly and even further south, the Syrah from Alonso Family vineyards gives the blend additional acidity and structure, while drawing out a magnificent finish. All of the fruit was hand-picked and fermented in open-top bins, with punch downs performed daily. After aging on the lees for 6 months, it was racked and settled back into French oak barrels (60% new) where it stayed for an additional year.

### **Tasting Notes**

Fresh red plums, strawberries and quince burst out of the glass and envelop the nose as touches of violets, rose petals and honeysuckle weave themselves through. Sweet strawberry reduction and bing cherries greet the palate, with fresh figs and delicate acidity, rounded out with luxurious French oak featuring accents of baking spice and leather. Silky, ripe tannins and amber persist on the lingering finish.