



Jeff Runquist
WINES



2023 '1448'

Amador County (Shenandoah Valley)

SPECS

VARIETALS: 53% Petit Verdot, 29% Petit Sirah, 5% Tannat, 5% Barbera, 3% Teroldego, the balance (5%) is a combination of, Zinfandel, Cabernet Franc, Sangiovese, Primitivo, Grenache, Tempranillo, Touriga, and Graciano.

ACIDITY: 0.65 g/100ml TA, 3.56 pH

ALCOHOL: 13.9% by vol.

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LABELS



TASTING NOTES

The 2023 vintage of '1448' has deep dark color that clings to the inside of a wine glass. The hues are bright and youthful. The aromas lead with blue and black fruits most notably black raspberry along with blackberry and mulberry. The bouquet features sweet vanilla, hazelnut, and caramel. The flavors are rich and savory with plenty of soft ripe fruit framed by toasted oak creaminess. The tannins are mature and add richness and texture to a smooth finish that is free of drying astringency.

ABOUT THE WINE

'1448' is the elevation of our winery in Amador County's Shenandoah Valley, where diurnal temperature shifts play a crucial role in winemaking. Unlike the Sacramento Valley, our daytime highs are similar, but cooler alpine air lowers nighttime temperatures significantly. This large temperature swing enhances color, acidity, and overall character in the grapes, producing wines with greater depth and complexity. While higher elevations bring cooler climates, frost limits commercial vineyards to around 3,000 feet. At 1,448 feet, we are in the ideal range for varieties like Zinfandel and Barbera, allowing them to develop rich flavors while maintaining balance and structure.