NINE ESTATES

2014 SANGIOVESE ESTATE GROWN

WINEMAKER Patrick Muran

CLONE Rodino, 3A, 171, 84

ROOT STOCK 101-14,5BB, 1103P

HARVEST DATES September 3rd - 9th

AVERAGE YIELDS 2.2 Tons/Acre

> AVERAGE BRIX 23.6°

> > **pH / TA** 3.6/6.0 g/L

ALCOHOL 14.1%

VINEYARD BLEND 100% Bootjack Ranch

VARIETAL BLEND 85% Sangiovese, 15% Barbera

COOPERAGE 25% New Oak 65% French / 35% Hungarian Puncheon Aged

> BARREL AGING 14 months

CASES PRODUCED 1,213

RETAIL PRICE \$30



SITE

The grapes for this wine were grown at Bootjack Ranch located in the Geneseo District of Paso Robles. The vineyard has two distinct soil profiles: expansive flats of calcareous soils (ancient crustacean remains) and rolling hills of sandy loam. The flat sections have high lime content, while the hillsides are well-draining. This Sangiovese came from Block 7 on the flats, one of the oldest plantings on the vineyard.

IN THE VINEYARD

Despite the ongoing drought (and in some cases because of it) the 2014 vintage was fantastic. A warm and dry winter lead to an early bud-break with the season's largest and only rainstorm shortly after. It was a miracle storm as it lead to healthy root system development, full canopies, and good vine balance.

IN THE WINERY

This single vineyard wine comes from Bootjack Ranch, a wild and sprawling vineyard that embodies the independent spirit of the town. Proudly hailing from Paso Robles with a strong nod to its Italian roots, this Sangiovese was aged in a combination of puncheon and normal sized barrels to add complexity.

TASTING NOTES

Inviting aromas of espresso, toffee & bacon fat are contrasted by lighter notes of dried rose petals & cherries. The palate is focused on cranberry & cherry notes with tannins that add power to this food friendly wine.