

2018

BOOTJACK RED

Bootjack Ranch & Heart Hill Vineyard

WINEMAKER
Patrick Muran

AVERAGE BRIX 25.2°

AVERAGE YIELD 3.4 Tons/Acre

> pH / TA 3.7/5.9 g/L

ALCOHOL 14.1%

BLEND

32% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Malbec, 20% Cabernet Franc, 8% Grenache, 7% Carmenere, 6% Merlot, 2% Zinfandel, 1% Barbera, 1% Syrah

> COOPERAGE French Oak 40% New Oak

BARREL AGING 26 months



VINEYARDS

The grapes in this blend were grown at our two estate vineyards in Paso Robles. Heart Hill Vineyard is located in the Willow Creek District and Bootjack Ranch in the Geneseo District. Only 13 miles apart, differences in soil and climate between the two create very different expressions of place. We find that both vineyards complement each other in a blend to produce a wine that is a great representation of the quality that Paso Robles can achieve.

IN THE WINERY

We hand-harvested each varietal and fermented them in stainless steel tanks independently. When composing the blend, we used Cabernet Sauvignon for structure, Malbec for a juicy component and Cabernet Franc for fine tannin and length. All other varietals in the blend are accent pieces, each adding spice and different fruit characteristics.

The wine was then aged for 26 months in French Oak barrels. The result is a rich and layered red wine.