



2018 TSUNDERE

Varietals: 46% Cabernet Sauvignon / 23% Syrah / 13% Tannat
10% Grenache / 8% Petit Verdot

Vineyards: Denner (Cabernet Sauvignon & Petit Verdot) /
G2 (Syrah, Tannat, & Grenache)

Fermentation: Native Yeast, 100% De-Stemmed

Barrel: 22 months 300L French Oak, 70% New

Appellation: Willow Creek District

Alcohol %: 15.5

Production: 318 Cases

Winemaking

Tsundere refers to a character that starts off a bit angular and aggressive only to evolve into one that becomes irresistibly charming and welcoming. This was the perfect moniker for a non-traditional blend with Bordeaux varietals crossing paths with Rhone varietals. At the core of the incredible 2018 vintage, Cabernet Sauvignon and Tannat contribute notes of cassis, black cherry, with complexing herbal undertones along with unmistakable violet notes from the Petit Verdot. Syrah and Grenache round out the palate with signature richness and chalkier tannin profile while adding depth with notes of blueberry, licorice, dried herbs, and savory layers. Each varietal is fermented separately in small open tops using only native yeast. After nearly 5 weeks on skins the grapes are gently basket pressed. The wine is then aged in 300L French Oak Barrels of which 70% are new, for 22 months prior to bottling unfinned and unfiltered. As the name suggests this is a wine that comes together over time. We recently revisited a number of library selections of Tsundere and were ecstatic. These have evolved into some of the most intricately detailed and complex wines in our cellar. Enjoy with an extended decant young and stash a couple bottles in the cellar and revisit periodically over the next decade.

Accolades

N/A

Release Date – Fall of 2021

Drinking Window – 2021 (with a decant) – 2040