

STATE of ART

Single Vineyard Wines

2011 S.O.A. RIESLING

MISSION RANCH VINEYARD

Arroyo Seco AVA, Monterey County, California

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State of Art, or S.O.A., is a passion project of Alcohol by Volume Wine Company. Our goal was to spotlight some of the amazing vineyards where we source fruit for our portfolio of wines. Each wine's unique label art has been commissioned to tell the story of the wine inside the bottle.

THE LABEL

Our Riesling label was designed by renowned Australian paper sculpture artist, Stuart McLachlan. The juxtaposition of the two feminine figures forming a dagger is a reference to the beautiful, floral and exotic fruit characters balanced with acid and mineral sharpness.

THE VINEYARD

The sustainably-farmed Mission Ranch Vineyard is located in the Arroyo Seco AVA of Monterey County, California. The loamy clay and sandy soils covered by large stones the size of potatoes coupled with the maritime climate and cool winds of Monterey give the wine a wonderful mineral and chalky component that is so hard to find in the US. The vineyard produces fruit that is both delicate and powerful.

THE WINE

Grapes were picked by hand in the morning hours on August 14, 2011 into small bins. After a gentle pressing, the wine was fermented in stainless steel and saw no oak or malolactic fermentation.

The wine opens with wonderful aromas of jasmine, lychee, nectarine, and rose petals. These characters continue on the palate, where we find more stone fruit, papaya, lemon peel, and beautiful floral notes in perfect balance with the acid and sugars. The wine is off-dry in style. Like the label, we describe the wine as 'femme fatale', an alluring feminine quality that is irresistible but dangerous and powerful. A top tier California riesling.

Vineyard: Mission Ranch

AVA: Arroyo Seco

Winemaker: Eric Laumann

Composition: 100% Riesling

Alc/Vol: 13.0%

RS: 1.4 (Off-Dry style)

Acid: 73g/100ml

Only 750 cases produced.

