



**2012 "Rougarou" Old-Vine Carignan**  
**McCormick Ranch Vineyard, Pauma Valley, San Diego County**  
**25 cases produced**

- ABV: 11.8%
- pH: 3.8
- TA: 0.524 g/100mL
- Vineyard soils: Decomposed granite, sandy & stony loam
- Vine age: 35 years. The vineyard has survived two fires in its lifetime.
- Hand-picked at sunrise
- 100 percent destemmed
- Native primary & malolactic fermentations
- 9 months aging in neutral French oak barrels
- Racked once before bottling
- SO<sub>2</sub> added at crush (only addition of any kind).
- Unfined & unfiltered
- Bottled July 2013
- The Name: The Rougarou (pronounced *Roo-gah-roo*) is a legendary Cajun shapeshifter, part-animal, connected to the sacred rhythms of the earth, often feared and misunderstood by those who do not understand it. This minimally tended survivor vineyard (in San Diego!) produces a shapeshifting, unexpected wine of concentration and surprise. No fear, here.
- Winemakers: Emily Towe & Jody Brix Towe