



2015 "Rougarou" Old-Vine Carignan
McCormick Ranch Vineyard, Pauma Valley, San Diego County
90 cases produced

- ABV: 12.8%
- pH: 3.69
- TA: 0.646 g/100mL
- Vineyard soils: Decomposed granite, sandy & stony loam
- Vine age: 37 years. The vineyard has survived two fires in its lifetime.
- Pick date: September 11, 2015
- Brix at harvest: 22.7°
- Hand-picked at sunrise
- 100 percent destemmed
- Native primary & malolactic fermentations
- 11 months aging in neutral French oak barrels
- Racked once before bottling
- Approximate SO₂ content: 20ppm
- Unfined & unfiltered
- Bottled August 3, 2016
- 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
- Suggested retail price: \$25