



CASTORO CELLARS

2022 PASOFUSION

This big wine brings together flavors that define Paso Robles. This 'Paso' Fusion blend offers fruit and spice with the perfect amount of tannins to coat your palate. Enjoy this wine with family and friends alongside your favorite hearty entrée.

- NIELS & BIMMER UDSEN, Founders

HARVEST NOTES:

After 40 harvests one would think all possibilities would have been exhausted and there would be repeat scenarios. I may have to do another 40 to see that happen! Vintage 2022 started with enormous potential for an average yield but with superior quality. The spring was warm, bloom and set saw no bad weather and the summer began perfectly. Our cluster counts were good, and the weather portended for an early harvest. But...there is always a but, just as the berries were sizing up a tremendous heat wave settled in over California and the vines struggled; the berries stayed small, and the yields shrunk. Harvest was still early. The resulting wines though are looking amazing with deep color and wonderful ripe fruit flavors. Our grapes stood up to Mother Nature to bring you bright whites with tons of flavor and reds of uncompromising complexity.

WINEMAKER NOTES:

The goal of achieving Complexity and balance is paramount in making the blend better than any of its components. This blend is assembled from our Estate certified organically grown Vineyards that contains classic varietals as well as a couple of not so well known grapes. Our Pasofusion is meant to be an expression of Paso Robles and the style that we are known for. A harmonious blend that also carries distinct characters of the great wine varieties traditionally grown in Paso Robles. "Paso has many varieties that grow well here, so we have more options for this blend." - Craig Reed, Associate Winemaker
"With the youth of Paso as a wine region, there isn't a set of long standing 'rules' of what the wines are and aren't supposed to be, thus allowing and actually fostering more creativity in the crafting of our wines." - Jamie Malesza, Assistant Winemaker

TASTING NOTES:

APPEARANCE: Dark, rich red

AROMA: Dark fruit, leather pepper and spice

PALATE: Black cherry and plums, cedar and chocolate notes

TECHNICAL NOTES:

VARIETALS: 37% Merlot, 21% Syrah, 19% Primitivo, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Dorsa, and 1% Zinfandel

VINEYARD SOURCES: Jack Creek, Whale Rock, Coble Creek **AVA:** Paso Robles

HARVEST DATE: October 2022

BOTTLING DATE: August 9, 2023

HARVEST SUGAR: 25.2° brix

OAK: French and American **OAK AGE:** 20 months

ALCOHOL: 13.5% **TA:** 0.67 g. 100ml **pH:** 3.7

