SEXTANT 2013 'PORTOLAN' GSM BLEND





APPELLATION: Paso Robles, California

WINEMAKING: Aged 19 months in 62% new French oak. The base of this blend, 60%, is made up of multiple small open top fermentations of whole cluster Syrah which were punched down by hand 2-3 times per day during primary fermentation. After primary fermentation this portion was aged in a new 500L French puncheon.

Tasting Notes: This blend is robust but deeply earthy, characterized by savory layers of fruit. Concentrated, sumptuous, and textured, but also loaded with fruit, the Syrah component really shines through. Sleek tannins and acidity frame blackberries, pomegranate, and wild strawberries rushing the mid-palate as black pepper and briar notes appear. Integration of the succulent with the savory elements is well accomplished towards a contoured and lasting finish.

TECHNICAL NOTES: pH - 3.78

Malolactic Fermentation - 100% Residual Sugar - .38 Total Acidity - .6g Alcohol - 15.3%

Suggested Aging: Enjoy now or cellar through 2020+.

ACCOLADES: 91 Points Wine Enthusiast

Chartered perfection that began in the vineyard and perfected in barrel



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