

OLD CREEK

RANCH & WINERY

OJAI VALLEY

TRADITIONAL CLUB

2Q 2020



2018 CHARDONNAY (Traditional Club - Reds & White)

Classic notes of hazelnut, brioche, citrus, and green apple drive the aroma of our 2018 Santa Maria Valley Chardonnay. This vintage, we fermented the Chardonnay in an assortment of stainless steel vessels and aged the wine for five months on fermentation lees to add volume and texture on the palate. This vintage sports flavors of spiced apple, mango, and pineapple with a vibrancy and texture supported by crisp acidity. A perfect pairing for summer salads, grilled fish or oysters.

(Traditional Club - Reds & White, Red Only) **2017 PINOT NOIR**

Spanish Springs Vineyard is a unique vineyard sitting approximately two miles inland from Pismo Beach, California. The close proximity to the Pacific Ocean keeps this vineyard on the cool side all summer long. Coupled with well drained limestone rich soil, this is an ideal vineyard for Pinot Noir. Our 2017 vintage is driven notes of raspberry and strawberry. The palate is rich with a silky texture and alluring undertones of truffles, game and leather. Pairs well with roasted or grilled pork dishes.



2016 RED WINE (Traditional Club - Reds & White, Red Only)

One of our favorite wines to craft each year, the 2016 Red Wine is an homage to the Cote Rotie region in Northern Rhone Valley. Aromatically rich and driven with high tone blue fruit, it over delivers with vibrancy. Lush on the palate but framed with refreshing acidity, flavors are reminiscent of blackberry pie with pepper and clove. Coupled with soft tannins, the acidity and fruit profile allow this vintage to pair wonderfully with pork and other grilled meats.

94% Syrah, Kiler Canyon Vineyard, Paso Robles
6% Viognier, Kiler Canyon Vineyard, Paso Robles



2016 CABERNET FRANC (Traditional Club - Reds Only)

Vintage after vintage, Plummer Vineyard in Paso Robles reliably exhibits aromas of chocolate and black berry. NE-SW row orientation allows for aggressive leaf thinning which yields ripe and sweet tannin development each year under the sun of Paso Robles. In its youth, the 2016 Cabernet Franc is already showing soft tannins which will further soften and yield to aromas of dried cassis, cranberry, and black fruit. This wine will continue to evolve and improve over the next 5-8 years.



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2015 BARBERA

Our 2015 Barbera was harvested on September 15, 2015 from the south facing exposed block at the top of the hill of Alisos Canyon Vineyard. This sandy site yields wines with great concentration and depth. The wine was sorted then fermented in open top bins. 2015 was an extremely low yielding vintage further intensifying the flavor profile and aromatics. After pressing, this wine was aged in 50% new French oak for 15 months. Aromatically, our Barbera is driven with toasty aromas wrapped up with black and red fruit. The flavor profile is dominated by black fruit, caramel, with a luscious mouthfeel and is lightly structured. Pair our 2015 with hearty Italian dishes or BBQ pork dishes.

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2015 RED WINE

Our 2015 Red Wine from Kiler Canyon Vineyard is a co-ferment consisting of 92% Syrah and 8% Viognier. We chose this method to pay respect to the winemaking in Cote Rotie, Northern Rhone, France. This method adds a high tone quality to the aromatic profile and lift to the palate. This wine was fermented cool in stainless steel and aged for 15 months in 66% new French oak barrels of Mercurey and Ermitage provenance. Aromatically the 2015 vintage is dominated with dark fruit laced with high tone purple flower and black pepper notes. On the palate, the entrance is driven with black berry, spice, coffee and chocolate. The mid palate is full and transitions to a lightly structured finish laden with minerality.



2016 MALBEC

Our inaugural release of Malbec, the 2016 Paso Robles Malbec is rich aromatically with notes of cinnamon, blue fruit, and purple flowers surrounded by enticing French and American Oak. Our winemaker was excited to begin working with Malbec as he learned early in his career the craft of making Malbec. The palate is layered and deep with flavors of blackberry, violet, with soft dusty tannin. The finish is long and has notes of toasted oak and dried fig.



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2016 RED HANDED

The team at Old Creek Ranch Winery is proud to present our first Bordeaux inspired blend. The 2016 "Red Handed" is a blend led by 49% Cabernet Sauvignon with 26% Cabernet Franc, 16% Petit Verdot and 9% Malbec in supporting roles. Aromatically, layers of dark chocolate, red and black fruits, and spice draw you in. The flavors are ripe and flavors abound with fresh black berry, cocoa powder, and dusty tannin lingering in the finish. Enjoy over the next 2-15 years.



2016 FIRE STATION RED



Paying tribute to the Ventura County Fire Department (VCFD) for their efforts in fighting the Thomas Fire, it is our pleasure to present you the 2016 "Fire Station Red". In December 2017, first responders including VCFD, defended many communities threatened by the Thomas Fire along California's Central Coast. Our inaugural vintage is a Super Tuscan style blend of 44% Sangiovese, 36% Cabernet Sauvignon and 20% Cabernet Franc. The acidity and luxurious tannin allow this wine to be aged for over a decade but is exhibiting some enticing qualities in its youth. Aromas of cherry, fig, raspberry and fig lift from the glass with each swirl and is framed by integrated but present French oak. The acid balance on the flavor profile is astounding and supports the bright fruit notes throughout the palate.

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2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Another delicious harvest from the Plummer Vineyard in Paso Robles, this is an extremely fruit forward and soft cabernet. Nearly a Zinfandel-like mouthful of dark berries, light oak, and cassis, this approachable cabernet has a medium-bodied mouthfeel that compliments its freshness. Soft tannins round out the finish and we suggest pairing with a straightforward steak such as a grilled sirloin or BBQ London broil.



2016 SANGIOVESE

Old Creek Ranch Winery has been sourcing Sangiovese from White Hawk Vineyard in Santa Barbara for many vintages and this property never ceases to amaze us. Aromas of dark raspberry, mint, and allspice waft from the glass. Per the varietal, bright acidity makes our 2016 Sangiovese a dynamic wine that can work with a wide variety of food such as rare steak, roasted game birds, wild boar, rich mushroom dishes or anything with tomato sauce. It is enjoyable in its youth but has the potential to age for well over a decade.

2016 EL CAMINO 93 Pts., Wine Enthusiast

The 2016 "El Camino", (53% Syrah, 38% Grenache, 5% Petite Syrah & 4% Viognier), exhibits seducing aromas of dark chocolate, dark raspberry and sage. The flavor profile is driven with brambly fruits framed with great acidity and incredible texture. Minerality shines through from Kiler Canyon (Paso Robles) and Spanish Springs (SLO County) that lengthens the freshly rounded finish.

"There's a solid depth to the black currant, violet, cocoa and allspice aromas on the nose of this blend. Polished tannins and a grippy texture uphold the weighty flavors of blackberry, cassis and smoke." Matt Kettmann, Wine Enthusiast

