



Jeff Runquist WINES



1448® - the altitude of our small family winery in the foothills of California's Sierra Nevada Mountains.

Since 2010, we have produced a 'Red Table Wine' we call "1448". Two of our favorite grapes comprise 88% of the blend this year; 63% Petit Verdot, 25% Petite Sirah. The balance of the cuvee is typically a collage of the unique heritage varietals we produce. This year it's 5% Barbera, 4% Tannat, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Charbono and 1% other red.

Stylistically, "1448" is in our house style of forward fruit, rich full flavors and a smooth elegant finish.

Our elevation in Amador County's Shenandoah Valley is viticulturally significant in that the diurnal temperatures (the difference between daytime highs and morning lows) so important in making red wine comes from elevation rather than a maritime influence. This large differential between our high and low temperatures helps the grapes develop more color, retain more acidity, and yield a richer wine with more character than grapes grown in the valley with warmer nighttime temperatures. The higher the elevation, the cooler the climate. Here at 1,448 feet, we are in the 'sweet spot' for varieties like Zinfandel and Barbera.

The 2018 "1448" has a deep, rich color that clings to the inside of a wine glass. The hues are youthful, with an edge of magenta. The aromas display blue and red fruits, most notably black raspberry and blueberry. The bouquet features hints of vanilla, spice, violets and lavender. The flavors are succulent and juicy, with plenty of soft ripe fruit framed by a toasted oak creaminess. The tannins are mature and add richness and texture to a finish that has beautiful acid balance.

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13.7 % Alc.

0.57 g/100ml TA

3.54 pH

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