MARGERUM WINE COMPANY M5 RHÔNE BLEND, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre, Counoise and Cinsault. Vibrant dark blue and crimson red. Exploding red and blue brambleberry aromas, dried herbs, grilled meats and an enticing perfume of white and red flowers. A solid core of dark red and spicy fruit surrounded by youthful, round tannins. Initially bright, followed by a rich finish with hints of red/blue jam, dark chocolate and dark, earthiness. Five grapes from thirteen vineyards. AVA Composition: Los Olivos District, Santa Ynez Valley, Sta. Rita Hills and Happy Canyon of Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County, California. Each varietal was pressed after fermentation and matured for 10 months in seasoned and neutral French oak barrels and large puncheon casks individually before being racked one time to blend for bottling. In 2001, Margerum Wine Company began in a tiny 240 square foot cold room. *The philosophy: return wine making to its previous form of production — handcrafted and personal.* They produce limited quantities of wines made from grapes grown both in Estate Vineyards and purchased from other top vineyards in and around Santa Barbara County. The 18 acre Estate Vineyard is planted exclusively to Rhône grape varietals. It is divided between limestone hillsides and gravelly alluvial flatlands along Alamo Pintado Creek. They carefully select the vineyards with meticulous attention to detail in all factors influencing the ultimate quality of the wines, including pruning, soil, climate and farming methods.

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MARGERUM WINE COMPANY M5 RED RHÔNE BLEND, ESTATE VINEYARD, SANTA BARBARA

Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre, Counoise & Cinsault. Aromas of brambleberries, dried herbs, grilled meat & a perfume of white & red flowers; solid core of dark red & spicy fruit surrounded by youthful, round tannins; initially bright, followed by a rich finish with hints of red/blue jam, chocolate & dark, earthiness.

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