

COPIA

THE CURE 2018



VARIETAL COMPOSITION

36% Grenache, 32% Syrah,
32% Mourvèdre

TECHNICAL DATA

pH	3.7
TA	6
Alc.	14.8%
Retail	\$48
Cases	200

The Cure is Copia's homage to Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Bursting with fruit, spice and garrigue, it's a blend of cool climate fruit (4 miles from the ocean) and warm climate fruit sourced from premium vineyard sites in both Edna Valley and Paso Robles Willow Creek District. There are a combination of soils including mineral-laden calcareous and organic clay topsoil with sandy subsoils. There is a complexity in the blend that will continue to reveal all its qualities over time.

WINEMAKING

Varietals were handpicked in October and November at the peak of flavor ripeness and phenolic maturity. Grapes were carefully cluster sorted, 100% destemmed and fermented in stainless steel. After a cold maceration, élevage included daily punch-downs, pump-overs and pneumatage. The wine rested for 20 months 53% new French oak. Bottled on June 23, 2020.

APPELLATION

Central Coast
39% Jespersen Ranch Vineyard | Edna Valley

35% Sorso Vineyard | 26% Catapult Vineyard
Paso Robles Willow Creek District

TASTING NOTES

Inky and fleshy, this Central Coast G-S-M is a near-even proportion of Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre. There is an innate earthiness that hints at smoked meat and olive tapenade. A very "Rhône" bouquet of Herbs de Provence and blue fruit comes through combining with plenty of individuality in this bold wine. The Cure is concentrated, medium- to full-bodied with mature tannins.

RATINGS

93+ pts, "Cellar Selection," Wine Enthusiast | "Tightly wound aromas of black currant, blackberry and lavender meet with light herbs ... Chiseled tannins frame the palate, where blackberry- jam-on-toast flavors lead into charred caramel toward the finish. There is much complexity to come." - Matt Kettmann

93 pts, Vinous | "Aromas of fresh red/blue fruits, vanilla and pungent flowers pick up a spicy top-note ... sharp definition and spicy lift to fresh boysenberry ... lavender pastille flavors, which deepen through the midpalate. Finishes sweet, lively and very long ..." - Josh Reynolds

91 pts, Jeb Dunnuck | "The 2018 The Cure is certainly outstanding, yet is slightly chunky and foursquare, with lots of darker berry fruits, medium to full-bodied richness, and solid bay leaf, pepper, and meaty aromas and flavors. It has some tannins, so give it a year or two."

91 pts, Connoisseurs' Guide | "... a very rich, full-bodied working that is simply bursting with deep, oak-enriched, ripe cherry and berry fruit. Solidly built ... a wine of excellent structure ..."