



## Harvest 2020: It's a hero's harvest.

On August 28, 2020, Copia harvested the first fruit of the season and it was a welcome respite from a tumultuous pandemic year filled with quarantines, record-breaking heat spikes and devastating wildfires. With moments of awe coupled with moments of concern, 2020 was a year when vineyard managers and winemakers diligently managed canopies, irrigation and made moment-to-moment pick decisions to preserve fruit integrity. Starting and ending early, Copia was in a sprint through October 20<sup>th</sup>, when the last fruit left the vines. We were fortunate to escape smoke taint in our lots and despite the unpredictability, it's a year of intense flavor and color with slightly higher acids than the previous year. This vintage didn't throw its arms up and say, "Now what?" Rather, it took a page from the many heroes that emerged in the year of the pandemic. It has character, strength and resilience. We believe Paso Robles and the Central Coast are going to be the shining stars of the 2020 vintage in California.



### Copia Vineyards 2020 'The Source'

<b>Varietal Composition:</b>	92% Syrah, 5% Grenache, 3% Mourvèdre
<b>Appellation and Vineyards:</b>	Central Coast Denner, Fulldraw, Peake Ranch, John Sebastiano, Kimsey, Bien Nacido & Slide Hill Vineyards
<b>Winemaking:</b>	Varietals were handpicked from September 17 to October 14, 2020, at the peak of flavor ripeness and phenolic maturity. Grapes were carefully cluster sorted, 95% destemmed (5% whole cluster) and fermented in stainless steel. After a cold maceration, daily punch-downs, pump-overs and pneumatage were conducted.
<b>Élevage:</b>	The wine rested for 20 months 67% new French oak.
<b>Production:</b>	367 cases
<b>Bottled on:</b>	June 20, 2022
<b>pH:</b>	3.6
<b>TA:</b>	6.3
<b>Alc By Vol:</b>	15%
<b>Suggested Retail Price:</b>	\$65
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	This wine has an intoxicating aroma of violets, blackcurrant, dark chocolate, leather and a meaty umami note. The palate mirrors with rich black fruit, black pepper and the natural smokiness that Syrah is so known for. Cooler climate lots a small percentage of whole cluster inclusion can take credit for the spice element, while Paso's inimitable Willow Creek District vineyards pack the dense fruit. Featuring silky tannins, it's pure perfection in a glass. This wine begs for a pairing of braised short ribs or a slow roasted leg of lamb with Moroccan spices.

**Rating:** 93 pts, Wine Enthusiast