

JUNE 2023

DEAR FRIENDS

As spring turns to **SUMMER**, the vineyards are **STUNNINGLY** showing the signs of a very wet winter. Cover crops between the vine rows are lush, the surrounding farms are ripe with new growth, and the canopies are as healthy a shade of **GREEN** as I have ever seen. The vibrancy that happens with fully wet soil is something to behold. On my commute from **ARROYO GRANDE** to **SLO**, I pass a bunch of **VINEYARDS** and they look **SUPER HAPPY**. I am constantly asked about the effect the rains have had on this growing season and I, along with all of my colleagues, feel that it is great for the health of vineyards. 2023 is already a year for the **RECORD BOOKS**, and we hope to add the record of best wines we have ever made (yet!)

It's official, we have a **NEW WINERY** space in **SAN LUIS OBISPO**, and we are ready to show it to you this summer! Please reach out to the team in our AG tasting room to make an appointment for mid-July or later to come see **CAP** (what we call the winery!), which is on **CAP**itolio Way in San Luis Obispo. If you are a wine club member your visit will be complimentary if you bring a friend from SLO! We want to start out with a bang, and if you can help us curate some SLO fans it will be super helpful!

The Summer 2023 release is a beautiful spread of vintages and varieties starting with our second vintage of the 2021 LEAD VOCALS CHARDONNAY from Zotovich Vineyard. This follows with two fantastic Pinot Noirs, the 2017 HEADLINER, pulled from the library, and the 2020 HEADLINER which is showing beautifully! Next up is one of everyone's favorites over the last few years, the 2020 JAM GRENACHE. It's fruity and delicious right now and is sure to be another crowd pleaser. Finally, our most recent vintage of THE CLASSICS. The 2021 is powerful, but the structure and nuance come together to make a supremely elegant wine. Please read on to find out a little more about the wines along with tasting notes, musical pairings, and potential drinking windows!

In any case, we would love to see you! Please help us spread the word **@TIMBREWINERY** on Facebook and Instagram. **WE LOVE YOU** and appreciate you to the moon and back. Without **YOU**, there is no Timbre Winery. Thank you for being such an important part of our lives... **CHEERS!**

- Chiasa & Josh -

Amanda, Amy, Annette, Bethany, Denise, Diane, Gary, Kara, Keira, & Val



2021 LEAD VOCALS CHARDONNAY, ZOTOVICH VINEYARD

Hailing from the Sta. Rita Hills, the 2021 Lead Vocals Chardonnay from Zotovich is again reminiscent of our 2010 Chardonnay from Rita's Crown. It comes from a section of the vineyard that is fairly flat, which means a little more richness in a region known for its searing acidity. This richness balances the acids and helps lead to a more balanced, full, delicious wine. Pale golden aromas of **WHITE FLOWERS** and white pepper jump from the glass. **BRIGHT FRUITY NOTES** lead way to a palate filled with hints of **QUINCE**, **GRAPEFRUIT**, **ORANGE PEEL**, and a clean, structured finish. Listen to *Rafferty's* **White Flower**. Drink now-2032+.

2020 THE HEADLINER PINOT NOIR, PALI VINEYARD

Bright red, the nose on this wine is fruity, with **RED BERRY**, potpourri, and a **PERFUMED** quality I find in my favorite Pinot Noirs. Pali is structured on the palate, always more cranberry than strawberry. This far western Sta. Rita Hills sight really screams **CRUNCHY ACID** and **GRIPPY TANNIN**. **RIPE**, heavy, and serious, with a crazy long finish are some of my notes. Talk about a wine that's both playful and serious? How about a song like that too... **Goodbye Earl** by *the Chicks*. Drink Now-2031+.

2017 THE HEADLINER PINOT NOIR, PRESQU'ILE VINEYARD

Brick red and **FLORAL** with **BAKING SPICES** and loads of **CINNAMON STICKS**. Presqu'ile was a vineyard from which we made Pinot Noir for many years (2010–2018). A few cases of each vintage are part of our library, but the annual library releases end with the 2017 vintage as the 2018 was mostly sold out! The complex, rich palate boasts **CHERRY**, **STRAWBERRY**, **CRANBERRY**, and is framed by an **EARTHY FINISH**. This wine always reminds me of the south, as the Murphy family, the stewards of Presqu'ile, come from that part of the world. Maybe a little Zydeco is on order. How about **Tee Nah Nah** by *Buckwheat Zydeco*. Drink Now-2028+.

2020 THE JAM GRENACHE MORRO VIEW VINEYARD

Red, red, with **RED FRUITS**, **POMEGRANATE**, and cinnamon. Morro View is slowly coming into its own as a fantastic site for cool climate grenache. Situated in Edna Valley near Wolff Vineyards and Chamisal, the gently rolling hills provide a beautiful setting for these young grenache plantings. If the last release vintage was any indication, I would buy extra bottles of this wine because it will not stick around! The palate has **CHERRY COLA**, **BUBBLEGUM**, **CRANBERRY**, and candied notes on the long, yummy finish. Only jam bands need apply... I'm thinking almost anything by the *Grateful Dead*, but for this wine, maybe **Candyman**? Drink now-2028+...

2021 THE CLASSICS RED BLEND, CENTRAL COAST

Bordeaux is known for blends from 5 main varieties and this wine has all of them. **46% CAB SAUV**, **24% MERLOT**, **12% CAB FRANC**, **9% MALBEC**, **AND 9% PETIT VERDOT** is the breakdown. Dark red and dense, this wine is perfumed but also has notes of **CEDAR**, **CIGAR BOX**, and savory spice along with an intense, fruit forward-ness. **RASPBERRIES**, **PLUM**, **CHOCOLATE**, **COCOA NIBS** and **CARAMEL** adorn a long and tasty finish. What is more classic than the *Beatles*? Listen to **Hey Jude** while you sip. Drink Now – 2028+.