



MARGERUM

2013 M5

FIVE GRAPES - ELEVEN VINEYARDS - ONE WINE

51% Grenache, 32% Syrah, 12% Mourvèdre,
4% Counoise, 1% Cinsault

M5 Mission statement: M5 is a wine that is from a thought – a blend that is an amalgamation of memories, both distant and recent, from the numerous wines I have tasted and loved.

Vineyard Regions: Santa Barbara County, San Luis Obispo County, Sta. Rita Hills, and Foxen Canyon

Vintage Conditions: The 2013 vintage is going to go down as a great one. Following a dry winter, there was early bud break and a large fruit set. The growing season was even and warm, flowing into a moderate, dry fall. The standout characteristic for 2013 wines: complete ripeness without high sugar levels. The wines are powerful and concentrated. The worry in Santa Barbara is about the drought. The lack of rainfall has positive quality implications, but we need winter rains to recharge our aquifers and cleanse our soils.

Maturation: The wine was matured for 9 months in seasoned French oak barrels and puncheons.

Wine Analysis: Alcohol 14.1%, pH 3.65, and TA 6.5 g/L.

Production: 2,675 cases, 50 cases in Magnum, 20 Double Magnums, and 6 Jeroboams.



Bright ruby. Vibrant, mineral-accented aromas of red and dark berries, cherry and tarragon, with a subtle floral note in the background. Nervey raspberry and bitter cherry flavors show very good clarity and tangy acidity. Finishes with a bright mineral quality and a red berry skin note.-- Josh Reynolds

90 PTS

Winemaker Notes...

Color: Ruby Red, bright

Aroma: Dark plum, youthful fruits come immediately to the fore, with perfumed Grenache and rose-petal floral aromas. A whirl of assorted spices further entwines with charcuterie undertones.

Palate: A firm, solid offering with an impressive grip with ripe tannins. A burst of berried Grenache flavors initially impact, followed by the black olive, licorice and dark chocolate contribution of Syrah and earthy Mourvedre.

Peak Drinking: Now-2019

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