



# MARGERUM

## 2021 ÜBER Syrah

*Santa Barbara County*



**99% Syrah**  
**1% Viognier**

**Alcohol** 14.5%

**pH** 3.59

**TA** 6.0 g/L

**Production** 355 cases

**Drink** 5-18+ Years

### *2019 Vintage*

*95+ Points, Jeb Dunnuck*

*95 Points, Vinous*

Seventeen years ago, we set out to make the ultimate Syrah. ÜBER is a co-fermentation of all the top Santa Barbara County Syrah vineyards we work with, consisting of 8 different vineyards and is mainly from our Estate (five clones), Black Oak, Spear, Zotovich, Zaca Mesa, Donnachadh and Lief. As each parcel of fruit arrives at the winery, approximately 10% of each pick and each clone is separated and added to the ÜBER fermenters. Three of the Estate clones are co-planted with 5% Viognier.

**Vineyard Regions:** Los Olivos District, Alisos Canyon, Santa Ynez Valley and Sta. Rita Hills

**Vintage Conditions:** Santa Barbara County had a cool spring and mild summer temperatures that extended the growing season. Harvest began in the fall allowing for increased flavors due to hang time. The weather was mild, and we had a long timeframe in which to carefully pick for optimal flavors. Yields were slightly above average but the weather cooperated permitting us to have pronounced flavors and aromatics. We are very happy with the quality of the wine and the “numbers” (pH, TA, Alc.) are perfect resulting in very balanced wines.

**Maturation:** This wine was matured for 16 months in 63% new Ermitage French oak barriques. The wine was never racked until it was bottled. Unfined and unfiltered.

**Color:** Very dark blue and black hues.

**Aroma:** Powerful dark notes of black brambleberry mixed with exotic aromas of anise, black pepper, leather, rosemary and liquid smoke.

**Palate:** Very rich and rewarding mouthfeel with an incredibly smooth and sublime palate. Tons of flavors redolent of black berry fruits, white flowers, European chocolate, black olive and other Mediterranean spices that all weave symbiotically together. Terrific example of cool/cold climate Syrah.

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