

Domaine de la Terre Rouge

TERRE ROUGE® AND EASTON WINES



TERRE ROUGE®
SIERRA FOOTHILLS

ENIGMA®

MARSANNE, ROUSSANNE AND VIOGNIER

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY DOMAINE DE LA TERRE ROUGE
PLYMOUTH, CALIFORNIA. ALC. 14.5% BY VOL.

2007 Terre Rouge Enigma®, Sierra Foothills (55% Marsanne, 24% Viognier & 21% Roussanne)

Enigma is made from fruit harvested from one vineyard site, Suma Kaw, planted in volcanic soil at the elevation of 3,000 feet. From this sweeping North slope we harvested the Viognier on September 14th, the Marsanne and the Roussanne on October 11th in 2007 before rains a week later. This high, cool elevation allows us to let the fruit hang for full flavor development while maintaining proper acidity. The vines grow on a vertical trellis with upward shoot and cane positioning for good fruit exposure to sunlight. The grapes are hand-picked into small bins and whole-cluster pressed. Fermentation takes place in older French oak barrels with a variety of yeast's. The wine is generally bottled 9-10 months later. Aromas suggest wildflower honey and acacia blossom with hints of tangerine and papaya. Flavors are creamy with peach, apple, and quince sensations competing for your taste buds. The finish is crisp with classic white Rhône stone (peach) fruit pit flavors intermingled with mineral tones from this rocky site. Enjoyable young, the wine also gains great complexity with bottle age.

14.5 % alcohol by vol.; 3.53 pH; 7.0 gm./liter total acidity

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