2017 THE DYER Red Blend

APPELLATION: Texas High Plains AVA VINEYARDS: Reddy Vineyards - Block 11, 15, 67

VARIETAL(S): 51% Alicante Bouschet, 49% Merlot

VINTAGE: 2017 ALCOHOL: 14.5%

CASES PRODUCED: 185 Cases



## WINEMAKERS NOTES

A warm winter spared the Texas High Plains from damaging freezes and precipitated early budbreak and vine development throughout the warmer spring months of the 2017 growing season. Early ripening, coupled with lower yields, produced grapes of excellent concentration. This French inspired blend is a fusion of Old World and New World styles. Embracing a modern approach, we utilized the revolutionary "Flash Détente" process to achieve maximum extraction of phenolic compounds for enhanced color and structure. The Merlot saw a more traditional maceration and fermentation process to preserve its Old World flair. We then rested each wine separately in American and French oak barrels for 16 months before the final assemblage. This blend shows excellent fruit concentration and a deep, earthy complexion that will surely please lovers of either New World or traditional style blends.

## TASTING NOTES

Inspired by the *teinturier* varietal Alicante Bouschet (a term applied to a rare group of grapes whose flesh and juice are both red in color), "The Dyer" is a rich and luscious red blend of French varietals that will tantalize the senses. The wine is deep purple in color with aromatic notes of red flowers and sweet red fruits that leap from the glass and entice you to take another sip. It is full-bodied, offering flavors of ripe cherry, juicy blackberry bramble, black plum and vanilla. Pair with teriyaki, carne asada and grilled vegetables.

## THE VINEYARDS & PHILOSOPHY

At Reddy Vineyards, we strive to provide the highest quality grapes to be enjoyed as your family's favorite wine. Situated in the heart of the Texas High Plains AVA (American Viticultural Area), our vineyards are blessed to possess a rare combination of factors ideal for growing premium grapes. Soaring at an elevation of 3305 feet, the vineyards experience a long growing season with warm days and cool nights. Sandy loam soils with deep limestone deposits protect the vines from pests while forcing the vines to produce concentrated grapes. This unique terroir allows us to grow grapes with exceptional balance, depth, flavor and intensity.

## Learn More:

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