

Le CIGARE VOLANT

"RED WINE OF THE EARTH"

ESTABLISHED IN 1983

BONNY DOON VINEYARD

2020

VINTAGE 2020

VARIETALS 42% Grenache, 31% Cinsault, 24% Syrah, 2% Petite Sirah, 1% Counoise

AVA Central Coast, CA

48% Alta Loma, 35% Loma Del Rio, 6% Mesa Verde, 6% Zayante, 4% Rancho Solo, 1% Lief

DRINKABILITY Now - 2030

SERVING TEMP 58°F

ALC 13.5%

WINEMAKING "In cool years the Grenache is enormously pretty and fragrant. This was the first year of production for the Cinsault and it was thinned multiple times both for enhanced concentration and evenness of ripening. The cooler climate gives the Cinsault a wonderful articulation of flavor, but what is most noteworthy is the fact that we were able to coferment the Cinsault with Syrah. Something magical happens when Syrah and Cinsault marry; the healthy tannin titer from the Syrah seems to give more structure to the Cinsault, helps to stabilize color. The spicy, licorice component from the Syrah is a perfect foil to the Griotte cherry derived from the Cinsault."

-Randall Gramh (Winemaker/Founder)

LABEL ART Original art from 1855 edition of "Bordeaux et Ses Chateaux", spaceship courtesy of Jules Vern, circa 1870.

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STORY In 1954, the village council of Chateauneuf-du-Pape was quite perturbed and apprehensive that flying saucers or 'flying cigars' might do damage to their vineyards, were they to land therein. So, right-thinking men all, they passed an ordinance prohibiting the landing of flying saucers or flying cigars in their vineyards. The ordinance further states that any flying saucers or flying cigars that did land were to be taken immediately to the pound.



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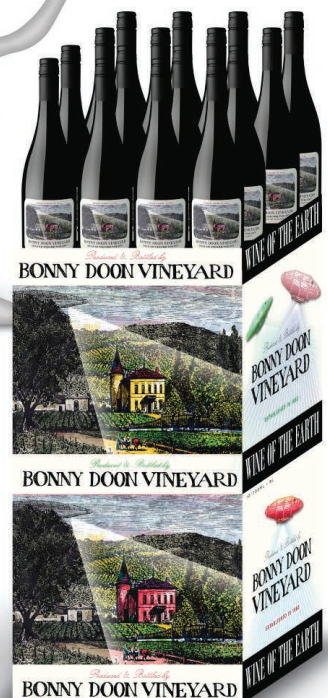
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RED WINE

of The Earth

Juicy Elderberry,
Exuberance & Joy

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