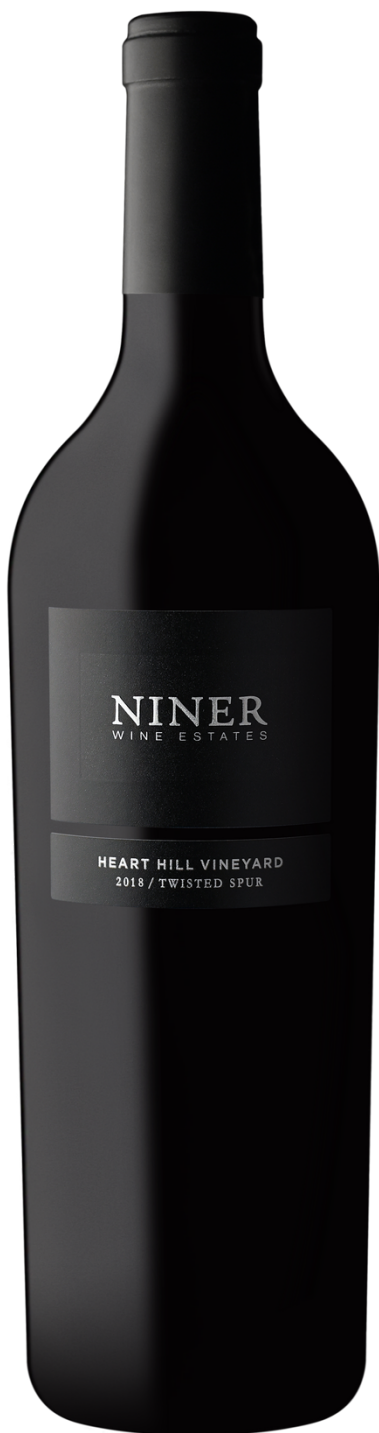


2018

RESERVE TWISTED SPUR

Heart Hill Vineyard, Paso Robles

43% Petit Verdot · 34% Syrah · 23% Cabernet Sauvignon



VINEYARD

2018 was a fantastic year to farm grapes in Paso Robles. March rainstorms promoted lots of canopy growth in our vines which created a canvas for a healthy growing season. Moderate temperatures throughout the year were a welcome change. The result was great flavor development and high natural acidity in our grapes, which means we could harvest them at the optimal time. The notoriously late ripening Petit Verdot benefitted from this, with the fruit developing a captivating violet and blackberry flavor. The Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes from the site were also exceptional. We harvested all three from late September to early November.

WINEMAKING

Twisted Spur is always an unrestricted blend from Heart Hill Vineyard that has structure, density and longevity. In 2018, the Petit Verdot was the vintage star that we wanted to highlight. We complemented its cool, powerful flavors by blending with our deeply-hued Syrah and nuanced Cabernet Sauvignon. The varieties aged for 16 months independently and an additional 10 months as a composed blend. We made only 16 barrels of this wine and it is a tour de force—strong tannins, plush fruit flavors and a balanced palate. Peak Maturity—decant it to drink now or age an additional 10+ years in your cellar.

WINEMAKER	Patrick Muran
CLONES	400, 47, 412, 877
BLOCKS	H15, H19, H13, H18, H6, H5
AVERAGE BRIX	25.6°
pH/TA	3.8/6.3 g/L
ALCOHOL	14.6%
AVERAGE YIELD	2.7 tons/acre
BARREL AGING	26 months
COOPERAGE	56% new French Oak