NINE ESTATES

2019

GSM Heart Hill Vineyard, Paso Robles

WINEMAKER Patrick Muran

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ROOTSTOCK 1103P, 101-14

HARVEST DATES 10/4 - 10/29

AVERAGE BRIX 24.9°

AVERAGE YIELD 2.7

> **pH / TA** 3.8/5.7

ALCOHOL 14.3%

VINEYARD 100% Heart Hill Vineyard

BLEND 48% Syrah, 32% Mourvèdre 20% Grenache

> **COOPERAGE** 23% New French Oak

> > BARREL AGING 17 Months



VINEYARD

We farm Syrah, Grenache and Mourvèdre at Heart Hill Vineyard, located in the Paso Robles Willow Creek District. Steep rocky hillsides, coupled with cooling afternoon breezes that flow through the Santa Lucia Mountain Range offer a consistent cooling effect that extends the growing season and results in dark, concentrated and well-balanced wines. Each vintage we blend this "GSM" to showcase the fresh and vibrant side of our Rhone varieties.

WINEMAKING

GSM stands for "Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre" and is a moniker for Rhône inspired blends made from the three grapes. We farm all three at Heart Hill Vineyard and create a cuvée with them each year. In 2019 we harvested, fermented and aged each varietal independently before composing the final blend and bottling it after 17 months. We used a small amount of new French Oak to add some structure, while still keeping this wine fresh and vibrant.