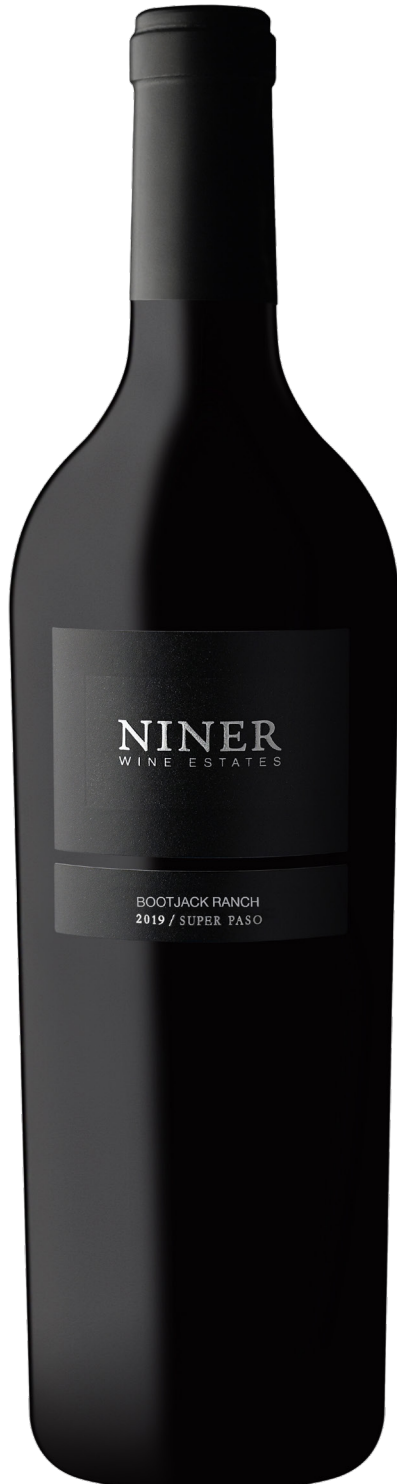


2019
**RESERVE
SUPER PASO**

Bootjack Ranch, Paso Robles

44% Barbera · 22% Cabernet Franc · 18% Cabernet Sauvignon
10% Petit Verdot, 6% Malbec



VINEYARD

The 2019 vintage was about as stress-free as it gets in Paso Robles with healthy winter rains (over 20 inches), a cool spring and a temperate growing season devoid of major heat spikes. The result was a long growing season where we could let the grapes hang and develop their true flavor potential on the vine. Our Barbera grapes were exceptionally vibrant, with dense color and flavor. We hand-harvested our Barbera grapes on October 8th, a couple weeks later than normal, knowing that it would become the foundation of this Italian inspired wine.

WINEMAKING

The name "Super Paso" is inspired by the Super Tuscans – blends made by Italian winemakers who took an unconventional path and added French grape varietals to their beloved Italian varietals. As an ode to those renegade winemakers, this wine blends Italian Barbera with four different Bordeaux varieties. In 2019 we de-stemmed the Barbera and fermented it in a stainless steel tank. The Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon were harvested on the same day and co-fermented in a stainless steel tank. We then blended all three varietals to barrel age together in 50% new French Oak barrels for 17 months. A small amount of Petit Verdot and Malbec were blended in prior to bottling, adding color and structure.

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| WINEMAKER | Patrick Muran |
| CLONES | 2, 171, 400, 84, 15 VCR-06 |
| BLOCKS | B3a, A5ab, A14, A1, A8 |
| AVERAGE BRIX | 25.8° |
| pH/TA | 3.7/5.9 g/L |
| ALCOHOL | 13.9% |
| AVERAGE YIELD | 2.9 tons/acre |
| BARREL AGING | 17 months |
| COOPERAGE | 50% New French Oak |