## Domaine de la Terre Rouge





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## VIOGNIER

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY DOMAINE DE LA TERRE ROUGE PLYMOUTH, CALIFORNIA. ALC. 14.5% BY VOL.

## 2009 Terre Rouge Viognier, Shenandoah Valley

(100% Viognier)

In 2009 we bottled two Viogniers, one from each of Amador County's two American Viticultural Appellations: Fiddletown and Shenandoah Valley. This Shenandoah Valley bottling is a great follow to our popular 2008 Viognier, and is also a bit more forward, opulent, and generous than the tighter and wildly aromatic Fiddletown. This wine has beautiful acidity. Our Shenandoah Valley Viognier grapes are planted in loamy, decomposed granite soil and cropped carefully. It has great body, richness, and mouth feel. There are also attractive apricot and peach flavors with a delicious texture and a slight stoniness in the finish. The pit (stone) fruit varieties thrive in our Rhône-like climate. We pick the fruit by flavor and physiological maturity. The grapes begin to get a brown speckled look when they approach maturity. This is our top white Rhône bottling. Our Viognier is a favorite of some of France's top boutique Condrieu producers. Whole-cluster pressed, barrel fermented in slightly used French oak barrels, extended lees aging, no racking, and full malolactic fermentation. Bottled in June of 2010. Bottle aged two years prior to release to allow for proper appreciation.

Alc. 14.5% by vol.; 3.39 pH; 6.5 gm./liter total acidity - 377 cases bottled Release Date: June 2012