Domaine de la Terre Rouge terre rouge® and Easton wines



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ENIGMA®

MARSANNE, ROUSSANNE AND VIOGNIER

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

2009 Terre Rouge Enigma®, Sierra Foothills

(44% Marsanne, 29% Viognier & 27% Roussanne)

Enigma is made from fruit harvested from one vineyard site, Suma Kaw, planted in volcanic soil at an elevation of 3,000 feet in Pleasant Valley area of El Dorado County. The vineyard is on a sweeping North slope where we harvested the Viognier on October 2nd, the Marsanne on October 28th and the Roussanne on November 4th in 2009 in this very late season. This high, cool elevation allows us to let the fruit hang for full flavor development while maintaining proper acidity. The vines grow on a vertical trellis with upward shoot and cane positioning for good fruit exposure to sunlight. The grapes are hand-picked into small bins and whole-cluster pressed. Fermentation takes place in older French oak barrels. The wine was bottled the following June 2010. Aromas suggest almond blossoms, honey, and acacia with hints of tangerine and papaya. Flavors are creamy with peach, apple, and quince impressions competing for your attention. The finish is crisp with classic white Rhône stone (peach) fruit pit flavors that intermingle with the subtle mineral tones from this rocky site. Enjoyable young, the wine also gains great complexity with bottle age.

14.5 % alcohol by vol.; 3.58 pH; 6.5 gm./liter total acidity Release date: April 2012