



2014 COUNOISE

WENTE
VINEYARDS

Small Lot



APPELLATION: Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay

VARIETAL CONTENT: 75% Counoise, 17% Nebbiolo, 4% Grenache, 4% Syrah

WINEMAKER: Karl D. Wente

ALCOHOL: 14.1%

pH: 3.57

TA: 0.63/ 100ml

RELEASE DATE: February 2016

BARRELS PRODUCED: 20

VINEYARD

Our small lot wine is harvested from carefully selected blocks that are estate grown and sustainably farmed. With an east-west valley orientation, the site gets warm days and cool nights that are influenced by fog and breezes from the San Francisco Bay and Pacific Ocean. The grapes are handpicked and sorted at harvest time in order to ensure premium quality.

FERMENTATION

Fermentation took place in small one-ton open top bins and the grapes were punched down by hand twice daily.

AGING

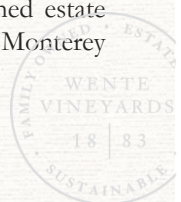
All varietals were aged for 11 months in French, American, Eastern European and neutral oak barrels.

DESCRIPTION

This full-bodied Counoise has aromas and flavors of ripe strawberries, rhubarb and fresh raspberries with hints of green apple and clove. Vibrant acidity and soft tannins provide a long, balanced finish.

HISTORY

Founded in 1883, Wente Vineyards is the country's oldest continuously operated family-owned winery. Owned and managed today by the Fourth and Fifth Generations of the Wente family, the winery draws from nearly 3,000 acres of sustainably farmed estate vineyards in the Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay, and Arroyo Seco, Monterey winegrowing regions to make an outstanding portfolio of wines.



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