



## **A Tribute to Grace Grenache, Provisor Vineyard 2015**

**Vineyard:** Provisor Vineyard

**Varietal:** 100% Grenache

**Alcohol:** 13.6% abv

**Finishing pH:** 3.51

**Release date:** October 1st, 2017

**AVA:** Dry Creek Valley

**Harvest date:** September 5th, 2015 (moon in Taurus)

**Élevage:** 11 months in neutral french barrique

**Bottling date:** August 15, 2016 (moon in Sagittarius)

**Total Production:** 100 cases

This is my second vintage from Provisor Vineyard, and only the second Grenache I have ever made from Sonoma County. It is my coming-full-circle grace, as it was a Dry Creek Valley Grenache that began my love affair with this grape in 2002... The very first time I tried this variety was an Unti Grenache - whose vineyard is less than 5 miles from the Provisor's home.

The vineyard is situated in the Lytton Springs District of Dry Creek Valley, with 3.5 acres planted to my favourite clone of Grenache (362). Originally planted to Syrah in 1999, it was grafted over in the spring of 2012. Spacing is 5' x 8' on classic red rock soil, farming is organic.

Harvested on September 5th, we received 1.55 tons from our gracious rows. I foot treat twice a day throughout the 11 day fermentation, and whole cluster inclusion was 50%. Pressed to barrel at dryness, MLF occurred spontaneously over the winter of 2015. The wine was racked once under July's new moon of 2016, and bottled one month later.

**tasting notes:** Pomegranate, Pastille and Riverstone