

*La Storia*

Cuveé 32

ALEXANDER VALLEY ESTATE

RED WINE

2016



### WINEMAKER NOTES

2016 Harvest began with yet another early bud break. Our Old Vine block 601 Sangiovese was the first one to awaken in February 20th. The rest of the varieties followed with 3 weeks earlier than normal bud break and as you may guessed it the harvest started record early as well. The growing conditions were great for the rest of the season with the exception of a week or two of a mini heat wave. Our yields from all blocks were down about 10% of the average.

Our 2016 Cuvee 32 is the 19th vintage of this blend for Trentadue Winery. In retrospect our “Super Tuscan” blend has been very successful and consistently our top selling wine in the Tasting Room. This vintage is unique because the blend has a large percentage of Montepulciano from our new 1.5 acre vineyard and significant amount of the new Brunello Clone Sangiovese. The 2016 vintage produced wines with dark red color, bright fruit and firm acidity and well-structured tannins destined to age well. The 2016 Cuvee 32 has intense cherry/cassis aromas contributed by the Sangiovese followed by deeper red fruit aromas of plums, blueberry and a hint of pomegranate. Typical for the blend is an enticing mixture of herbs and spices making the wine particularly enjoyable with Italian style food. With more air the wine shows more complex yet still in developing stage aromas and flavors of cocoa, cinnamon, leather and black licorice. The mouth feel is medium to full with relatively high, food friendly acidity and a long and fresh finish. Drink now through 2022.

Cheers.

MIRO TCHOLAKOV

### TECHNICAL NOTES

#### VARIETAL

43% Sangiovese  
41% Montepulciano  
8% Malbec  
4% Merlot  
4% Cabernet Franc

#### PRODUCTION

1264 Cases

#### BOTTLED

August, 2018

#### RELEASE DATE

April, 2019

#### AGING

23 months in 23%  
new French oak.  
100% barrel aged

#### ALCOHOL

14.5%

#### RESIDUAL SUGAR

.4%

#### pH

3.71

#### TOTAL ACID

.63g/100ml

#### APPELLATION

Alexander Valley Estate

#### WINEMAKER

Miro Tcholakov