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2022 A Tribute to Grace Grenache- Santa Barbara, California

With a dry and mild climate cooled significantly by moist ocean fog and breezes Santa Barbara is part of the larger Central Coast appellation. The conditions here provide an opportunity for nearly effortless production of high-quality cool-climate Central Coast wines. A Tribute To Grace Wine Company is dedicated to crafting authentic expressions of Grenache. All wines are single-vineyard sourced to maintain authenticity, and remain 100% Grenache. Angela Osborne is a New Zealand born winemaker who moved to California in 2006 with the dream of making Grenache. She sourced her first Grenache fruit from the Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard. Angela named her label after two of her favorite things: her Grandmother Grace and her most beloved attribute. Angela's winemaking intention is to capture this spirit, and stay as close to nature as humanly possible. This Santa Barbara County Grenache was inspired by Fonsalette from Chateau Rayas and represents two very different microclimates. The first vineyard is the Highlands with 3200 feet elevation and the second vineyard is Curtis, tucked away in Foxen Canyon. The nose opens with light red berry, pomegranate, violets, sweet cherry, and a mix of baking spices. The palate is just shy of moderate with good acid and a flavor set of mixed red berries, pomegranate and savory and baking spices. The resulting wine is elegantly structured and focused, and is an excellent introduction to Angela's style.

Pairings: Grenache pairs beautifully with foods that have smoky or charred flavors, like savory, grilled meats, smokey BBQ sauces, and even grilled veggies.

2022 Tyler Winery Chardonnay Santa Barbara County, California

Chardonnay is one of the stars of Santa Barbara, producing wines marked by racy acidity. The region is home to many young and enthusiastic winemakers. Tyler is dedicated to producing wines of delicacy and balance, where structure and nuance are favored above all else. Their focus is exclusively on exceptional vineyard sites throughout the Santa Rita Hills and Santa Maria Valley within Santa Barbara County, and feel chardonnay is one of the best mediums to express their vineyard site. They believe wine should be elegant and honest, and must possess aromatic purity. The Santa Barbara County Chardonnay is composed of grapes from the Bien Nacido, Dierberg, La Rinconada, and Sanford & Benedict vineyards. Aromatically, the wine has notes of flint, white chalk, with a combination of stone and citrus fruits and a hint of florality. On the palate, the wine is extremely mineral-driven with notes of white pepper and green apples.

Pairings: This wine would be perfect with shellfish, seafood, salads or poultry. Try this wine with chanterelle mushroom pasta or any lighter creamy pasta dish.