## 2019 Wrath Destruction Level, Syrah-Grenache Monterey



**Tasting Notes:** In antiquity, the wrath of a victorious army often left cities burnt to the ground, the charred remnants of once great civilizations. Thousands of years later, these events show up as dark carbon-filled strata, or destruction levels, in the archaeological record. The subtle smoky quality that permeates our Wrath Destruction Level Rhone Blend—which utilizes 20 percent whole cluster fermentation and 40% new French oak—is an ode to the smoke-filled smell of victory that is still perceptible in the soil. Our 2019 Destruction Level is undeniably greater than the sum of its parts. As with past vintages, this red Rhone blend is composed of Syrah and Grenache from colder sites throughout Monterey County. Inky and intense, this blend is upfront with mulled dark fruit, soy and earthy undertones. The palate is generous and seamless with mulberry, cola and a long lively finish.

## **Technical Data:**

Vineyards San Saba, Ventana

AVA Monterey

Clones 50% Syrah, 50% Grenache
Oak French oak, 40% new

Alc. 14.5% Cases produced 221

## **Accolades:**

2019 93 pts Wine Enthusiast

91 pts International Wine Review

2018 93 pts Vinous

2017 92 pts Vinous

2016 91 pts Vinous

2015 90 pts Jeb Dunnuck

2014 92 pts Robert Parker's Wine Advocate