

# COMANCHE

CELLARS

HANDMADE MONTEREY COUNTY WINES



## 2013 • MAVERICK

SYRAH~MESA DEL SOL • ARROYO SECO AND  
SANGIOVESE~WHEELER VINEYARD•TRES PINOS

### TASTING NOTES:

Who makes a Syrah and Sangiovese blend, let alone a co-ferment? It's a crazy concept, but it's half way to a Super Tuscan, so cast no dispersions. Made of Sangiovese from the Wheeler Vineyard, farmed by Ron Siletto in the Tres Pinos area east of Hollister, and Syrah from Mesa del Sol, at the far edge of the Arroyo Seco River. This is one wine that will keep you coming back for more and more of its generosity of flavors, texture and exuberance.

At the bottom of a riverbed that consists of decomposed gravel in Tres Pinos, off Highway 25 in San Benito County, Wheeler Vineyard's 15 year old vines were grafted from Cabernet to the Brunello clone of Sangiovese in 2010. They typically deliver red cherry and tea leaf aromas.

Mesa del Sol is known for its warm and generous fruit, and the Syrah tends to be particularly intense, with ripe plum flavors and firm tannins.

This wine fires on all cylinders. There's a cheery cherry aroma from the Sangiovese that draws you in, along with incense and peppermint tea, a hint of brown sugar and then a panoply of cherry pie, root beer and toasted walnuts. There's a pleasing finish of chocolate raspberry walnut fudge for extra good measure. Throughout, the relentless acidity from the Sangiovese keeps the action lively.

This is a beautiful food wine, despite the sweet bookends, and you'll want to enjoy this with veal cannelloni or stuffed peppers.



Suggested Retail: \$28

Case Production: 80

Aged in 17 months in Hungarian & French 50% new

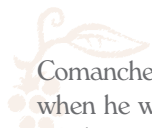
Harvest Date: Sangiovese: Sept. 24, 2013

Alcohol: 14.07%

pH: 3.53



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Comanche Cellars is an ultra-tiny (under 1k cases) winery named after Comanche, owner Michael Simon's horse when he was ten years old. This trusty childhood companion was an important part of a young life, and his name is a loving tribute to this old friend. In his honor, Comanche Cellars wines are boldly flavored steeds, built to go the distance, with sure-footed speed and confidence. Simons is proud that Comanche's name and shoes are on every bottle of his wine. Maybe those horseshoes will bring you some good luck!

Comanche Cellars is located on California's Monterey Peninsula, where we take advantage of the incredible wealth of vineyards that can be found in almost every direction, except, perhaps, due West. We're happy to be in the sweet spot right now, as Wine Enthusiast recently named Monterey as one of the Top 5 winegrowing regions worldwide! With the Santa Lucia Highlands, Arroyo Seco and San Antonio Valley as superb growing areas, we believe we're creating incredibly beautiful wines that can and will rival the best the world has to offer.