



4744 Sugar Hollow Road Crozet, VA 22932

2013 Imperialis

Vintage

Modeled after a minimal intervention French Port, the wine was made in as natural a style as possible. After the addition of brandy, it is allowed to slowly ferment for over a month before being pressed off the skins. Aged in neutral oak with good lee contact for 12 months to fully integrate flavors.

Vineyard

The 2013 Tannat is a blend from two different growers. Turk Mountain Vineyards is nestled in the heart of Virginia's Monticello AVA at an elevation of 1,100 feet. Deep loamy soil gives way to granite bedrock on this orderly mountaintop vineyard, which showcases some unusual varietals such as Tannat and Malbec. Muse Vineyards is located on the banks of the North Fork of the Shenandoah River between the Allegheny and Blue Ridge mountain ranges. A very dry microclimate and attentive hand tending allow for high levels of quality, even in some of Virginia's more challenging harvests.

Winemaker's Notes

Rustic style Tannat Port fermented in open top puncheons and aged in neutral French oak. Bottled in special edition Civil War Sesquicentennial bottle. This wine will improve with age - keep on the shelf for as long as possible!

Harvest Dates: October 22 and October 26, 2013

Technical Notes

Varietal Content: 100% Tannat

AVA: Virginia

Fermented in open top neutral French oak puncheons

Aged 12 months in 100% neutral French barrels

End pH: 3.75

Residual Sugar: 6.4%

Alcohol: 17%

Bottled: December 19, 2014

Case Production: 150

Release Date: June 18, 2015

Bottle Price: \$30.99



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