

chateau  
**TUMBLEWEED**

# 2014 Cimarron Vineyard Tempranillo

## Background:

We are honored to work with fruit from this vineyard and this Tempranillo makes it pretty obvious why. Originally planted in 2005 by Oregon Pinot Noir pioneer Dick Erath, the vineyard is now owned and operated by Dos Cabezas Wineworks' Todd and Kelly Bostock with help from Dick's former, long-time vineyard manager, Juan Alba. Their hard work and vision is to be commended and the proof is in the pudding...

## Varietal Composition and Appellation/Fruit Sourcing:

100% Tempranillo from Cimarron Vineyard. Cochise County, AZ. 4,300 ft. elevation. Harvested Aug. 24th and 29th

Sugar at harvest: 25.2 Brix

## Cellar Notes:

Destemmed, but not crushed to open top  $\frac{3}{4}$ - and 1-ton bins.

Lot was left ~15% whole cluster.

Cold-soaked 24 hours, then inoculated with specially selected yeasts (T73, VRB, Rhone2056).

Hand punched 3-4 times daily.

Inoculated with Malolactic bacteria (Alpha) around 7 Brix.

Pressed at dryness after 10 days skin contact.

Settled 4-5 days before barreling

## Aging:

Aged 14 months in 12.5% new French oak and 12.5% new Hungarian oak.

Thrice racked. Filtered, but un-fined.

## Stats:

pH: 3.82

TA: 6.1 g/L

RS: <0.10%

Alcohol: 14.6%

Drink now or cellar 6+ years

Production: 96 cases

Winemaker: Joe Bechard

