

# chateau TUMBLEWEED

## 2019 Dos Padres Vineyard Vermentino

### Background:

This is now our third consecutive year working with this Vermentino, which comes from the Dos Padres Vineyard owned by Eric Glomski at Page Springs Cellars. The vineyard is situated across Oak Creek from Eric's winery and this Vermentino always makes a beautiful, austere wine with a delicate citrus/melon character, subtle restraint and a minerality so characteristic of the fruit from that small part of the Oak Creek Valley. This is some special fruit and we're so grateful to be able to share it with you. Only 49 cases produced.

### Varietal Composition and Appellation/Fruit Sourcing:

*Yavapai County*

98% Vermentino from Dos Padres Vineyard.

Yavapai County, AZ. 3,500 ft. elevation. Harvested Sept 6th

2% Grenache Blanc from Sierra Bonita Vineyard.

Graham County, AZ. 4,400 ft. elevation. Harvested Sept. 22nd

*Sugar at harvest: 23.2 Brix.*

### Cellar Notes:

Pressed whole-cluster.

Juice then settled 48 hours, racked and inoculated with specially selected yeasts (QA23). Fermented in stainless steel at 55 F for 29 days.

Malolactic fermentation inhibited.

### Aging:

Aged 5 months in stainless steel and 1 month in 100% 4-year-old French oak (without lees stirring).

This wine saw only minimal cold-stabilization, did NOT undergo heat-stabilization and is filtered, but unfined.

### Stats:

pH: 3.42

TA: 5.7 g/L

RS: <0.10%

Alcohol: 13.9%

Drink within 1-2 years

Production: 49 cases

Winemaker: Joe Bechard

