



FOLDED HILLS



91 PTS  
WINE ENTHUSIAST

# 2019 G.S.M.

## THE WINE

Our 2019 G.S.M. is made from a selection of the finest Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvèdre vineyards in the Santa Ynez Valley, including Folded Hills Estate. Each site is meticulously farmed to organic and/or biodynamic standards. Winemaker Angela Osborne works with growers to choose the optimum picking times to capture both freshness and flavor, then makes the wine in an honest and time-honored way.

After harvest, the fruit is carefully de-stemmed. In order to add another layer of spice and structure, a portion of whole cluster is retained. The vintage and vineyard guide the choice of whether or not to include whole cluster in the fermentation. Angela walks the sites before harvest and chews on stems in the vineyard and again in the winery to check their health and flavor for that year. All fermentation happens naturally with ambient yeast, and the fruit is foot-trod until fermentation is complete. To preserve freshness and vibrancy, the wine is aged for 11 months in neutral French oak barrels.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

VINTAGE:	2019
GRAPE VARIETIES:	40% Grenache, 40% Syrah, 20% Mourvedre
REGION:	Santa Ynez Valley
ALCOHOL:	13.8%
pH LEVEL:	3.6

## TASTING NOTES

The 2019 GSM is a classic Rhône-variety blend of Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvèdre with many red fruit aromatics: dark red cherry, pomegranate, and a hint of cranberry. Full-bodied and brooding, it is balanced with elegant tannin and barrel spice with a touch of leather.

## WINEMAKING

PROCESSING:	90% de-stemmed, 10% whole cluster
ÉLEVAGE:	11 months in neutral French barrique

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In making Folded Hills wines, our goal is to respect the land, and through the wines, express its unique voice. With as little interference as possible, we let the grapes speak for themselves. We strive to craft beautiful wines with a focus on purity and use old-world practices in our certified organic vineyards. We consciously handcraft small-batch artisanal wines, using no commercial additives and the smallest amount of sulfur; just enough to preserve the wine. Folded Hills wines contain no residual sugar and use only native yeasts that occur naturally in the vineyard. It's all part of our promise to make wine in an honest, time-honored way.

## DETAILS

BOTTLING DATE:	July 30, 2020
RELEASE DATE:	March 1, 2021
SRP:	\$48

