BOUTZ CELLARS

Paso Robles "Sunset Syrah"

Winemaker
James and Manoli Boutzoukas

Wine Region
Paso Robles, CA

Story

Boutz Cellars is a family story full of meaning and roots. James Boutzoukas was 9 years old when, during a trip to Greece to see his family, he became fascinated by wine and its important role in his culture. In his family, wine making is a collaborative and shared process. Together with his son Manoli, they seized the opportunity to pursue their passion at two top-quality vineyards in the Adelaida district of Paso Robles. Their wines reflect the family history of Greece, but also the quality of the Californian territory.

Vineyard

Boutz Ranch, situated in the northeast AVA, is under 4 miles from Kendros. This 36-acre property features a distinctive landscape and practices sustainable farming. The soil composition consists of shallow, bedrock residual soils and patchy colluvial hillside soils from the Monterey Formation and older rocks, largely calcareous soils. The elevation ranges from 970 feet.

Vinification

The vineyard employs meticulous techniques like hand pruning, shoot thinning, leaf removal, and fruit thinning. Sustainable farming practices are also utilized, including minimal tilling and the use of selected cover crops to attract beneficial insects and naturally aerate the soil. Grapes are typically harvested from mid-September to mid-November, followed by a 24-month aging period in 20% new French and 80% neutral oak barrels.

Tasting Notes

Medium purple color in the glass. The nose is fruity with a hint of spices. On the palate, this wine is of dark fruit, dried sage, black current and all spice with a hint of black olive.

Food Pairing

This wine is ideal with grilled burger, ribs recipe, grilled eggplant, Portobello mushrooms or with grilled tuna and salmon.

QUICK FACTS

Variety

100% Syrah.

Aging

French and Neutral Oak Barrels.

Other Wines

- Labyrinth
- Angira