

BITNER VINEYARDS

2021 Fall Wine Club Release

TEMPRANILLO VINEYARD SELECT 2018

K.P. Martin Vineyard - Snake River Valley, Idaho

Tempranillo is the principal grape variety used in the renowned wines of the Rioja region of Spain. It flourishes in warm dry climates of the Mediterranean and, happily for us, southern Idaho.

Our friends and neighbors, Keith and Pearl Martin, planted this small vineyard in 2012 on the slope east of our patio. In a salute to the traditional viticulture of Rioja, they used an ancient, untrellised vine training method created by the Romans we now call “goblet.” This bush style exposes the grapes to dappled sunlight, producing smaller clusters and lower production, resulting in more intense flavors.

This elegant wine features aromas of leather, tobacco, and a hint of pepper. Flavors are rich, supple plum with savory fruit notes and anise on the finish.

Perfect Pairings: Grilled scallops with beefsteak tomato tartare and truffle cauliflower puree, seafood paella, and wood-fired sausage and mushroom pizza.

Production: 96 cases

Price: \$32 / Member: \$28.05

CHARDONNAY 2019

Rose Cottage Vineyard - Snake River Valley, Idaho

Dr. Ron Bitner manages Rose Cottage Vineyard—an additional 55-acre vineyard that includes this Chardonnay block planted in 1981. With minimal spray applications, Rose Cottage Vineyard is tended to by hand and with the same love applied to our estate vineyards. For forty years, this vineyard has produced clean, beautiful fruit.

Lightly oaked with a creamy texture. Flavors of golden apple, vanilla, and toasted caramel lead to a lingering finish with notes of pineapple and balanced acidity.

Perfect Pairings: This Chardonnay is perfect for the Thanksgiving table! It pairs especially well with Butternut Squash Soup and Rosemary Flatbread. It is an impeccable partner with Turkey, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, and Mushroom-Nut Stuffing.

Production: 120 cases

Price: \$22 / Member: \$18.70



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