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2021 Mauritson Touriga

Rockpile

Production: 146 cases

Appellation: Rockpile

Composition: 100% Touriga

Vineyard: Rockpile Ridge

Alcohol: 14.75 % by volume

Aging: 15 months French Oak

Winemakers' Perspective

Carved out of the mountainside at our Rockpile Ridge Vineyard lies a one-acre plateau planted in equal parts to four classic Portuguese varietals: Tinto Cao, Tinta Madeira, Touriga and Sousao. These grapes are coharvested and co-fermented and used for our wonderful Port-style dessert wine, Rockpile Independence. In 2021, however, the phenomenal growing season and nearly perfect ripening conditions produced such incredible intensity and detail in the Touriga that we decided to make a non-fortified red wine from this varietal alone. As proven in Portugal's Duoro Valley, these native varietals historically destined for Port are now making themselves known as equally delicious full-bodied, age-worthy still wines.

Our Rockpile Touriga is the latest release in our unique Unicorn series. It has a gorgeous intensity with a deep magenta hue and a perfumy nose of fresh summer blackberry, toasted brioche, violets and blackcurrants, along with a dusting of anise shavings. Its precise entry of dark fruits, dried lavender and olive tapenade continues into the juicy firm tannins and an extended and satisfying finish.

Cheers,

Clay Mauritson
Owner & Founder

Emma Kudritzki Hall

Winemaker