

# Monte Volpe

## 2013 Negroamaro MENDOCINO COUNTY



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**Winemaker Notes:** The 2013 vintage of Negroamaro was much riper and more mature than the previous years. Providing a lovely and balanced wine of dark purple-garnet color with aromas and flavors of ripe plums, blackberries, spicy wood and earth, with ripe, full tannins and a seamless transition of flavors and textures that carries through to a long finish.

**Vineyards:** Monte Volpe is one of the few producers of Negroamaro in California, releasing its third vintage in 2013 but using it in blends since 2005. 100% of this wine is Negroamaro grown by my cousin Gil Tournour. In this small vineyard, shallow rock laden Pinole white clay-loam soils, warm eastern exposure and cool nights produce grapes with superb balance, concentration and fruity aromas and flavors.

**Winemaking:** The grapes were hand-harvested at an average of 25 degrees brix in October 17<sup>th</sup> 2013. After crushing the grapes into a small open-top stainless steel tank, the must was cold soaked for 4 days and then pumped over and punched down twice daily for 2 weeks during fermentation, before being pressed off into French Burgundy oak barrels (25% new). After aging in barrels for 28 months, the wine was egg white fined, rough filtered and bottled on April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016.

**Food Pairing:** Enjoy with grilled steaks, pasta with forest mushroom sauce and lamb chops with rosemary sauce.



### Specifications:

**Blend:** 100% Negroamaro

**Cases Produced:** 150

**Alcohol:** 15.1%

**Total Acidity:** .65

**PH:** 3.50

**Residual Sugar:** 0.3% (dry)

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