



2022 GRENACHE BLANC

150 CASES PRODUCED

About Kaena Wine Company

Kaena was launched in 2001 to showcase owner and winemaker Mikael's deep passion for winemaking, especially using his favorite varietal Grenache. Mikael who is part Hawaiian and raised on the Oahu shores, uses a shortened version of his given name for the brand - Kaena - which means "potential for greatness". That "greatness" is evident in the wines - in 2006 Wine Spectator named Mikael one of the top 10 new Rhone producers. Known affectionately by his peers and fans as The Grenache King - Kaena produces 5000 cases of Rhone & other varietals with an emphasis on Grenache.

Vineyard

- Tierra Alta Vineyard, Ballard Canyon

Winemaking

Tierra Alta sits on the northeastern edge of Ballard Canyon and is prized for its steep limestone laden hillsides. The Grenache Blanc was tank fermented using yeast sourced from the Rhone Valley to accentuate varietal character and authenticity to the region. After fermentation the wine was racked to neutral French oak and 20% new Acacia wood to enhance character and mouthfeel.

Tasting Notes

Bright aromas of star fruit, pineapple, and golden apple, along with scents of Asian pear, pomelo, stone fruit, lemon curd, and mineral. Juicy flavors of pineapple, star fruit, and granny smith apple lead to a fresh core of zesty grapefruit, lemon curd, mineral and thyme, finishing with long silky texture balanced by bright acidity.

