## MUSINGS FROM THE RLV WINE PRESS

Rancho Loma Vineyards Newsletter

# CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF LOVE WITH VERTICAL OFFFRINGS

#### ED BRANDECKER- DIRECTOR OF WINEMAKING

With 2022 marking Rancho Loma Vineyard's 5th year, I would like to extend a thank you to our loyal wine club members. I am offering to Premier and Collector's Club members an opportunity to do a vertical tasting.

A vertical tasting compares wines produced under the same label or name but from different vintages. A vertical allows tasters to experience the evolution of a wine over time. It allows us to demonstrate technique changes we've made over the years, and how we've been able to assemble new blend percentages in order to perfect the wine further.

Any vertical can have its fair share of drama behind the scenes and often does! Our famous Texas hail storms, droughts, and frost all have an effect on the amount of grapes available for harvest that particular year.

So, enjoy this offering as a fantastic way to experience just how unique every year can be in the world of wine!

Finally, we are proud of our newest awards, including two DOUBLE GOLD medals for our 2020 RLV Cinsault Rose and our 2018 RLV The Tempter from the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition announced just this past week. For information on all our awards, please read below.

I am looking forward to our upcoming wine club members only, pick up parties: FTW on February 5 and Coleman on February 19.



### VERTICAL OFFERINGS

### 2017 RLV CORSO

SILVER-2020 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition; SILVER 2020 Houston Rodeo Uncorked! International Wine Competition; and SILVER-2019 San Francisco International Wine Competition

The 2017 RLV Corso is a full bodied Italian blend with dark red fruit expression. It is aged in French oak puncheons, neutral barrels and stainless steel. 45% Sangiovese, 45% Montepulciano, and 10% Barbera.

Tasting Notes: expressive red fruit character enticingly layered with accents of black cherry and black currants. Its robust structure pairs well with hearty meat courses, yet accompanies pastas with red sauce equally well.

Retail \$25.00 Signature Club \$21.25 Premier Club \$20.00 Collectors Club \$18.75

### 2018 RLV CORSO

GOLD-2021 Houston Rodeo Uncorked! International Wine Competition; SILVER-2021 TEXSOM International Wine Competition and SILVER- 2020 Lone Star International Wine Competition

Our third year in making the Corso, an Italian style expression using 55% Sangiovese, 40% Montepulciano and 5% Barbera with aging 50% new French oak puncheon and barrel.

Tasting Notes: aroma of roses on the nose followed by sweet red raspberry, strawberry, cranberry, carmel embraced by soft tannins with medium body and gentle soft finish. Pairs with pasta, roast chicken, salmon and pork tenderloin.

Retail \$30.00 Signature Club \$25.50 Premier Club \$24.00 Collectors Club \$22.00

### 2017 RLV THE TEMPTER

GOLD-2020 Houston Rodeo Uncorked! International Wine Competition; GOLD-2019 San Francisco International Wine Competition (rated 93 pts); SILVER-2020 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition; SILVER-2020 Lone Star Wine Competition

Small lot fermentation in two ton fermenters, twice a day punch downs, 30% barreled in two year old French oak and the remainder in neutral barrel, aged fifteen months, blended with Tempranillo 50%, Merlot 35%, and Tannat 15%.

Tasting Notes: black currant and cassis with accents of graphite, tar and tobacco completed with a long juicy finish, complementing its name

Retail \$42.00 Signature Club \$35.70 Premier Club \$33.60 Collectors Club \$31.50

### 2018 RLV THE TEMPTER

SILVER-2021 Houston Rodeo Uncorked! International Wine Competition; SILVER-2021 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition

Our Texas version of Bordeaux, is made from three separate blocks of Tempranillo 47%, Merlot 47% and Tannat 6% from Reddy Vineyard in the Texas High Plains AVA. The blend is aged for eighteen months in 30% new French oak puncheon and barrel.

Tasting Notes: Cedar forest floor nose. Forward black cherry, plum and blueberry with notes of clove and cassis supported by supple tannins.

Retail \$42.00 Signature Club \$35.70 Premier Club \$33.60 Collectors Club \$31.50



### ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS

### 2017 RIV VAI FRA

SILVER-2020 Houston Rodeo Uncorked! International Wine Competition; BRONZE-2019 San Francisco International Wine Competition

Small lot fermentation in two ton fermenters, 30% barreled in two year old French oak and the remainder in neutral, aged fifteen months, blended with Syrah 50%, Tempranillo 25%, Mouvedre 20%, and Grenache 5%.

Tasting Notes: This elegant blend presents deep ruby in color with dark red and black fruit on the palate ranging from kirsch to cassis, with accents of black tea and cloves. The oak is well integrated and restrained. The finish gently lingers.

Retail \$38.00 Signature Club \$32.30 Premier Club \$30.40 Collectors Club \$28.50

### 2019 RLV ROJO

SILVER-2020 Lone Star International Wine Competition; SILVER 2020 Houston Rodeo Uncorked! International Wine Competition

For our wine club members only--Our always popular multi-varietal proprietary blend aged eighteen months in neutral barrels. A sell out every year! Have a bottle of the 2018 RLV Rojo still at home? Try your own vertical with this yet to be released wine.

Tasting Notes: Off-dry, candied red fruit with a soft velvet finish. An easy stand alone sipping wine.

Retail \$25.00 Signature Club \$21.25 Premier Club \$20.00 Collectors Club \$18.75

### **OUR LATEST AWARDS**



The San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition is the definitive competition for American wines. To win a medal here — to stand out in a crowd of thousands of submissions — is an enormous accomplishment for a winery. For the 2022 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, there were over forty-eight judges, representing various North American wine regions, evaluating *5,816 wines from nearly 1,000 wineries*.

DOUBLE GOLD: 2020 RLV CINSAULT ROSE

DOUBLE GOLD: 2018 RLV THE TEMPTER

GOLD: 2016 RLV THE TEMPEST

SILVER: NV RLV TORO

SILVER: 2016 RLV III- STILL WHITE

BRONZE: 2020 RLV ALBARINO

TO ORDER ADDITIONAL WINE

SHOP - RANCHO LOMA VINEYARDS (RLV.WINE)



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Looking to enjoy a memorable relaxing evening? Rancho Loma Vineyards Coleman and Rancho Loma Vineyards Fort Worth has live entertainment on weekends in addition to other weeknight events. Come on out to enjoy an evening of music, friends and good wine.

For more detailed information, go to our website www.rlv.wine under the "Events" tab.

#### WINE PAIRING DINNERS--Reservations Required

#### **COLEMAN**

Jan 22- The Shed Wine Pairing Dinner SOLD OUT Feb 11 & 12- Valentine's Day Pop Up Dinner with Chef Caitlin Wallace March 26- Cordell's Library Wine Dinner

#### **FORT WORTH**

Feb 12 - Valentine's Day @RLV with Vestal's Gourmet March 27- Pop Up Brunch with Angel Fuentes from Guapo Taco!

### GIFT IDEAS & MERCHANDISE

Rancho Loma Vineyards has a wide selection of specialized gift ideas and merchandise. Check out our unique selection at our webstore: www.rlv.wine under Shop > Gift Ideas and Merchandise.

### RLV GIFT CARDS

Let that special person select their wines using a RLV gift card. Call the Coleman or Fort Worth tasting room to order your gift card. We can even email it for you! \*Wine Club discounts do not apply to gift card sales.

### RLV WINE BOTTLE CANDLES

Enjoy the ambience of our wine candles while sipping a glass of RLV wine. Up-cycled RLV Wine Candle made from 100% Soy Wax Burns 60+ hours and sure to make memories! Call the Coleman or Fort Worth tasting room to select from a variety of scents.

### RLV APPAREL & CAPS

Trucker caps or baseball caps, we have them! Enjoy a selection of RLV short and long sleeve T-shirts with our famous RLoVe logo.

### RLV ENGRAVED WINE KEYS

Finding a wine key that you vibe with can be difficult. Open your next bottle of RLV wine with the wine key that our sommeliers love and use daily!

### RLV WINE GLASSES

You've come to love the shape and style of these glasses in our tasting rooms. Take some home with you to enjoy your favorite RLV wine

### RLV GOVINO WINE GLASSES

Sip your favorite wine poolside or outside worry free. These stemless wine glasses are a must for wine lovers who enjoy sipping outside.

### RLV WINE GLASS GUARDS

The importance of protecting your wine is underestimated! A single fruit fly can ruin the flavor profile of your drink. Our wine guards allow this protection while allowing your wine to breathe.

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Cheers!