

ROBERT HALL



OUR ROOTS

Robert Hall Winery planted its vineyards in the mid 1990's and opened the doors in 2001. Currently 170 acres of vineyards in the Estrella and Geneso Districts of Paso Robles. (2 of 11 sub appellations in this vast and diverse appellation). Paso Robles is larger in area than Napa.

Renowned as a supreme **growing region** for Syrah, other Rhones as well as Cabernet Sauvignon and Zinfandel.

Don Brady has been the winemaker since the beginning and continues to improve the quality of the wines he produces due to his long experience with and understanding of the varied palate that is Paso Robles. Amanda Gorter joined the winemaking team in 2016 as a most welcome addition to the team.

His style with white wines is to simply showcase the fruit, very light-handed winemaking. Red wines he blends and orchestrates with great abandon. Amazing blends of varietals as well as the creative use of both French and Eastern European oak in all but the Port and Meritage (both all French)

Impressive record of outstanding honors: *

1991 Don Brady - **Louis F. Qualia Award** from Texas Wine and Grape Growers Association, for outstanding contributions and leadership in the Texas wine industry

2006 Don Brady, Robert Hall Winery - **Central Coast Winemaker of the Year**

2010 Robert Hall Winery - **The Golden State Winery and Golden Bear Trophy Award**, California State Fair (signifying the most highly awarded winery at the competition)

2016 Robert Hall Winery - **Central Coast Winery of the Year**, Central Coast Wine Competition

2017 Robert Hall Winery - **Paso Robles Winery of the Year**, New York International Wine Competition

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2016 Sauvignon Blanc, Paso Robles

- 100% Sauvignon Blanc
- Stainless steel fermentation, showcasing the varietal characteristics vividly. Accurate and true SB.
- Limited rainfall-small intensely flavored fruit. Good skin to fruit ratio.
- A good portion of the fruit from cooler vineyards. Bright beautiful acidity.
- Crisp apple, citrus aromas. Bright lively pick grapefruit and pears flavors. Not grassy, more citrus and mineral.
- Dry. Alcohol 13.5%
- One of our most highly awarded wines vintage after vintage.



2015 Viognier, Paso Robles

- 100% Viognier
- 1/3 Barrel Fermented in neutral French oak to add slight softening, remainder in stainless steel.
- The floral, perfumey nose hints at sweetness, so this is an adventure for the senses, as it finishes beautifully dry. Incredible balance is hard to find in Viognier, a grape that is prone to over ripening, where the wine is either high in alcohol or sweet. Growing in cool vineyards and careful monitoring in the vineyard makes this a rare and beautiful wine, elegant and well balanced. If someone tells you they don't like Viognier, it is likely because they haven't had a well-made one. They will be happy to meet this one.
- Dry. Alcohol 14.5% (some Viogniers are 16%+) (Brix at harvest 23-24)



2016 Chardonnay, Paso Robles

- 100% Chardonnay
- 100% Barrel Fermented in French oak, mostly neutral (used at least 5 vintages) with a small portion new.
- Aged approx 4 months in same (a tiny bit oakier than previous vintages because of addition of new oak)
- From a blend of warmer (Adelaida) & cooler (Creston) sub-appellations for a balance. Aromas of pear, apple and vanilla. A silky wine, flavors of pear and butterscotch finishing with balancing acidity and a long finish.
- 100% ML. Dry. Alcohol 14.5%



2016 Rose de Robles, Paso Robles

- 42% Syrah, 30% Grenache, 11% Cinsault, 11% Mourvedre, 6% Counoise
- These grapes are picked slightly earlier than those for red wines for that bright zesty fruit Rose is known for.
- 100% stainless steel fermentation. Vin Gris pressing .12-24 hours of skin contact for color extraction (previous vintages of RH Rose employed Saignee method leaving grapes in contact longer, darker, richer). This current vintage has amazing delicacy and complexity.
- In competing with many other Roses, a nice selling point for blends is that complexity as compared with the multitude of single varietal Roses, in particular Pinot Noirs.
- Dry. Alcohol 13%



2014 Zinfandel, Paso Robles

- 87% Zinfandel, 7% Syrah, 6% Petit Sirah
- A large portion of this fruit was grown in the very cool region, Templeton Gap where fruit matures slowly and achieves concentration and spice. The balance from San Miguel is more berry driven.
- Aged 12 months in a blend of French and Eastern European Oaks. French is finer grained and subtler while the Eastern European is slightly wider grained, impactful, adding another level of complexity.
- Elegant, in a world of big over-powering Zins. Medium bodied, soft tannins, delicious raspberry and blueberry fruit complemented by a peppery spice. Balanced.
- Dry. Alcohol 14.7%

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2015 Syrah, Paso Robles



- 86% Syrah, 8% Grenache, 5% Petite Sirah, 1% Cinsault
- This fruit comes from our own Bench Vineyard, in the Geneseo District as well as the Creston District. Bench is one of the oldest at Robert Hall wrapping around the tasting room. Both with rocky well-drained soils produce intense, highly concentrated fruit.
- Aged 18 months in French and Eastern European oaks. Well structured, but this Syrah is softer than the previous vintage, perhaps with the addition of Cinsault. Very elegant, with a style somewhat similar to a GSM compared to last vintage. Fills the void for Cuvee de Robles stylistically. Nuanced with blackberry, smoke and spice leading to a rich mouthwatering finish.
- Dry. Alcohol 14.5%

2014 Cabernet Sauvignon, Paso Robles



- 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 4% Petite Verdot, 4% Petite Sirah, 4% Syrah
- Taking from the varied palate of Paso Robles, from sandy loam of Estrella District to uplifted sea beds of Creston resulting in a fusion of bright forthcoming fruit from Estrella and intense ripe fruit from Creston.
- Aged 18 months in French and Eastern European Oak. Typical of Paso Robles Cabernet, the tannins are velvety. This Cabernet is never green tasting as some Paso cabernets can be. Rather, always clean and bright, with varietal accuracy.
- Dry. Alcohol 14.5%

2014 Merlot, Paso Robles (taste after the Cabernet-it's bigger)



- 86% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 4% Petit Sirah, 3% Petit Verdot
- Merlot from the alluvial soils of Estrella and Creston as well as the very cool sedimentary clays of the Templeton Gap matures very slowly causing an extensive build-up of tannins and phenolic compounds (flavor components). Cabernet Franc from loamy soils of the Brady vineyard blended in to soften this beautifully dense concentrated wine.
- Rich aromas of ripe black cherry, hints of cedar. Lush, complex and satisfying, all the way through the lingering finish.
- This wine wants a big fat steak. Not a silly fruit bomb.
- Dry. Alcohol 14.5%

2014 Meritage, Paso Robles

- 46% Cabernet Sauvignon, 42% Merlot, 12% Malbec
- This wine is carefully selected from our finest lots and is aged exclusively in French oak for 18 months.
- Inviting aromas of black currant, cassis and ripe plum, complemented by earthy notes and cedar.
- As is typical of this vintage, this wine is intense in color and flavor (lack of rain- small fruit, intense wine) but carefully blended to result in a wine of incredible finesse.
- Dry. Alcohol 14.5%

2013 Vintage Port, Paso Robles

- RHW was grandfathered in the use of "Port" on our label
- 32% Alvarelhao, 31% Souzao, 13% Tinta Cao, 24% Touriga (bud wood came from a grower in Portugal via Robert Hall's pockets in the 1990's before 911)
- Made like a Late Bottle Vintage Port, this wine represents one of the finest examples of Port made in California. Aged 18 months in French oak. Fortifying brandy made at Robert Hall Winery.
- (many competitors are making fortified wines from Syrah or Zinfandel)
- 7.2% Residual Sugar. Alcohol 20.5 %

**The wines have accumulated a long list of impressive accolades in competitions and from wine publications. See under separate cover.*