

Domaine de la Terre Rouge

TERRE ROUGE® AND EASTON WINES

Tête-à-Tête®

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SIERRA FOOTHILLS RED WINE

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY DOMAINE DE LA TERRE ROUGE,
PLYMOUTH, CALIFORNIA. ALC. 14.5% BY VOL.

2016 Terre Rouge Tête-à-Tête, Sierra Foothills

Tête-à-Tête is our fun easy drinking *assemblage* of Mediterranean varietals (in 2016 - it's 42% Grenache, 41% Mourvèdre & 17% Syrah,). We blend it with current drinkability in mind, for drinking both at home and as a restaurant pour. We generally put it together from our younger vines and our more forward tasting barrel lots. 2016 was a year where most of our Rhône varietal lots had brightness and ripe fruit. For us, it was more of an average growing season, but this was the waning year after a three year drought. The fruit developed nicely all summer, with no surprises, and we received good flavor development. This wine drinks like wines from solid Côtes-du-Rhône-Villages vintage: sappy, spicy, mouth-filling, and nuanced. It is an eminently enjoyable everyday bottle. This 2016 has our typically deep boysenberry fruit aromatics, with smoky/meaty/gamey complex flavor components that emphasize our *terroir*, and a lengthy creamy texture. Aged for 16 months in a mixture of French barrels. We do extending aging in bottle prior to release as part of our *élevage* philosophy. This is a great California wine value !

14.5% alcohol by vol.; 3.63 pH; 6.2 gm./liter total acidity

A Tête-à-Tête is a private intimate conversation between two people (literally head to head).