

Combe

Trousseau Pet'Nat

Stolpman Vineyards
Ballard Canyon
2021

80% Trousseau / 20% Mondeuse
460 case production

Background

Pete Stolpman and Rajat Parr's Esoteric Partnership "Combe" means a "small sheltered valley within a vineyard" in French.

When Rajat Parr began making Sandhi Chardonnay alongside Stolpman in the Lompoc Wine Ghetto back in 2010, he immediately started a campaign to plant Trousseau on Stolpman's Ballard Canyon Limestone soils. Vignerons in Jura seek out Limestone for their Trousseau plantings, and Rajat theorized that Trousseau, a varietal that often has difficulty achieving ripeness, would flourish in the sunny, arid Ballard Canyon wind tunnel.

Vineyard

Components
Block 3 Trousseau / Block 4
Mondeuse

Harvest Date
September 15, 2021

Winery

Vinification
Crushed then gently pressed

Vatting/Fermentation
Stainless Steel until 1.2 Brix, then
bottled and sealed under crown-cap

Cooperages & Elevage
Disgorged in late March 2022

Sensory

Vibrant, glowing pink and peach hue. Fine but robust bubble. Fresh tropical fruits and high-toned, energetic red fruit. Steely and lean, yet chalky with a subtle, lingering richness. Buzzy, fizzy splendor from the mid-palate through to long after swallowing. More coating with bigger fruit than ever before. A full, fleshy sparkling wine, the best Combe Pet'nat to date. Berry parfait in a glass!

11.5% Alc by Vol.

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