

Combe

Trousseau Pet'Nat

Stolpman Vineyards
Ballard Canyon
2022

80% Trousseau / 20% Mondeuse
175 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 Chardonnay alongside Stolpman in the Lompoc Wine Ghetto back in 2010, he immediately campaigned 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 6 Trousseau / Block 4
Mondeuse

Harvest Date
August 30

Winery

Vinification
Immediately pressed prior to Native
Fermentation

Vatting/Fermentation
Stainless Steel until 1.2 Brix

Cooperages & Elevage
Bottled under crown cap to finish
fermentation, then disgorged and
re-capped in early April 2023

Sensory

Pale pink in color with a plentiful mousse and a petite bead of bubbles. Insanely floral, notes of jasmine, and a ton of bright peach and plum. Racing acidity is already integrated into the wine's tactile richness. An amazing elevation of intensity in 2022!

11% Alc by Vol.

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