

# Nice Winery

## 2015 The Vixen - Grenache, Syrah, & Malbec Blend

*Paso Robles, CA*

**Awards:** *Double Gold, Class Champion (2015 Vintage)*  
2018 Rodeo Uncorked! Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo  
International Wine Competition

### About the Wine

Winemakers Ryan and Ian set out to create a fun, playful and juicy wine with a medium bodied, round and full palate. The Vixen is our interpretation of some of the best wines of the southern Rhone region of France, with a fruit forward and luscious California attitude. The Rhone region of France produces some of the best wines in the world. A hallmark of those wines is the use of Grenache and Syrah grapes, along with 20 other grape varietals that are permitted to be used in those blends. Most wines from the Southern Rhone use Grenache as their primary grape, and we have followed that basic premise in creating The Vixen. But don't be fooled! All of the fruit for our new creation comes from a small growing region in the Central Coast Appellation of California, not far from Paso Robles where we ferment and age the juice to perfection. The soil, temperature, and climate of the Paso Robles region is uniquely suited to the cultivation of high quality Grenache and Syrah.

A blend of 50% Grenache, 35% Syrah, 15% Malbec, this wine will pair beautifully with Texas style barbecue like pork spare ribs, grilled pork loin, or a baked potato stuffed with brisket. This is a young, "drink now" bottle of wine. While it will age well through 2018, we suggest drinking the wine in the next two years. It does not require breathing or decanting.

**Tasting notes:** Tart Cherry. Ripe Strawberry. Cranberry. Hints of Herbs and Spice.

### About Ryan and Ian

Certified Sommeliers, Wine Educators and Le Cordon Bleu trained Chefs Ryan Levy and Ian Eastveld are the "foodie superduo" behind Nice Winery. Their chef-driven wines have been lauded in *Wine*



*Enthusiast*, awarded 94 point ratings and gold medals, and are featured on top wine lists. When not making their hand-crafted wines, the chefs teach about wine and food at their Houston winery and tasting studio.



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