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# SKINNER

2020 NATIVE RED

## THE WINE

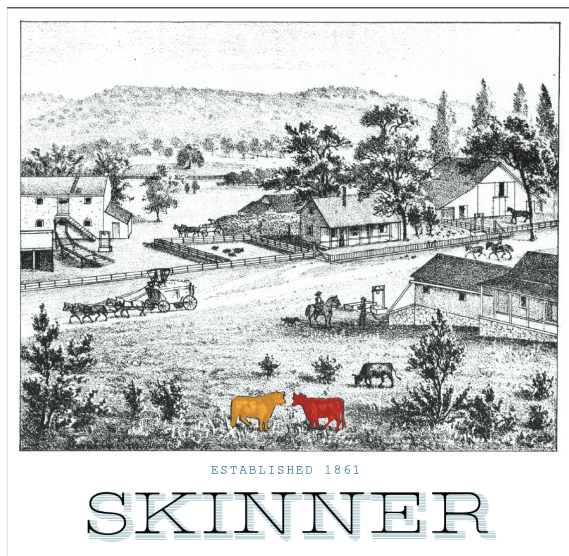
Grenache has all kinds of iterations, and is one of the most widely planted winegrape varieties in the world. Believed to have originated in Northern Spain before migrating to France, eventually finding a cozy home in Southern Rhone in the 19th century. Considered a late-ripening varietal, Grenache loves a warm, dry climate and rocky soils making El Dorado County a perfect fit! At Skinner, Grenache is a big part of our heritage and continues to be a majorpart of our production.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Made up of numerous small lots and Native is made entirely by co-fermentation dominated by our Legacy block from our estate. We handle our native fermentations with the remontage technique (versus the more commonly punch down); gentlier on the berries, but aggressivley more aerobic for the juice. Encouraging high CO2 production which both protects and bolsters our auromatic profile. Gently pressed, settled, and sent to barrel for 10 months. Racked and returned in the spring, then bottled just before harvest.

## TASTING NOTES

The 2020 Native Red is a flirty, mouth-watering expression of El Dorado. Fresh raspberry and orange peel dominate the aromatics, along with playful notes of sassafras. Crunchy and vivacious across the palate crushed cranberry, sweet plum and a whisper of passion fruit. Fun, flirty and mouthwatering, this rare heritage blend can be your food's best friend, or simply a way to jazz up a Wednesday evening.



## SUMMARY

VINTAGE  
2020

APPELLATION  
El Dorado

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME  
13%

CASES PRODUCED  
1175

### LEGACY VARIETIES

Petite Bouchet, Mission, Carignan, Zinfandel, Trousseau

### OTHER VARIETIES

Cinsault, Marsanne, Grenache, Viognier, Mourvedre

### ELEVAGE REGIMEN

10 months sur lees  
100% Neutral French Oak