

THE PRINCESS & THE PEASANT

2016 CARIGNAN
POOR RANCH



Brought up worlds apart, winemakers Stephanie and Dan Rivin met at the junction of love and wine. Dan arrived in America from Russia as a peasant with pockets full of nothing but dreams and ambition. He met spirited and soulful Stephanie, an expat raised in the exotic splendor of the Arabian Peninsula. Together, they toil in the vineyard and cellar to make this Carignan.

VINEYARD INFORMATION

74 year old vines of interminable character that are perfectly adapted to their terroir, the Poor Ranch is located in the rugged, volcanic hills of Hopland. The Poores have been raising wine grapes at this location since the late 1800's, guided by the accumulated knowledge of their forbearer's working vintages past. All of the varieties are certified organic, dry farmed and head-pruned with no trellis system.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested at 23.6° Brix and 100% destemmed before undergoing an un-inoculated primary fermentation. After mingling with the skins for 20 days, the wine underwent a natural secondary fermentation in the barrel. The wine was then aged for 10 months in 100% seasoned French oak barrels and racked once before being bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

The Princess and the Peasant Poor Ranch Carignan conveys an expression of site, an amplification of terroir. Juicy, bright and vibrant, this wine showcases blackberry and pomegranate fruit layers with lively, polished tannins.

Hand-made, small batch Mendocino County wines

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