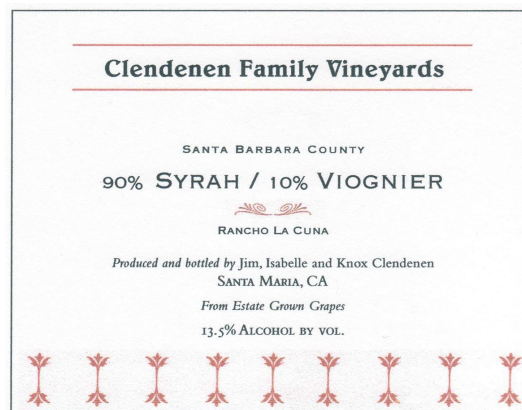


Clendenen Family Vineyards

Jim Clendenen introduced the **Clendenen Family Vineyards** label in 2000 to explore making experimental wines from unique varietals grown primarily on Jim's own organically farmed Le Bon Climat Vineyard. The project has since expanded to include special plantings at his Rancho La Cuna Vineyard and Bien Nacido Vineyard, as well as other historic vineyard sites in Santa Barbara County.



Clendenen Family 2015 Syrah / Viognier

(90% Syrah, 10% Viognier)

"Ranco La Cuna"

Santa Barbara County, California

- The fruit for this wine is sourced from Jim Clendenen's own certified organic vineyard near Los Alamos, Rancho La Cuna.
- The fruit is low alcohol co-fermented, very aromatic, and classically modeled.
- Aged for approximately 3 years in 500L Hungarian oak puncheons, which provides additional complexity and subtle oak flavors.

These barrels are over the twice the size of standard barrel's (225L), which equates to more than double the volume to surface ratio, and Hungarian oak imparts much more subtle flavors than French, so the wine does not come across at all oaky but instead the barrels add to the texture of the wine.