## 2022 Counoise



The 2022 Counoise is a deeply complex both aromatically and on the palate, while still maintaining a levity with fresh florals, herbs, and lively fruit. The bouquet opens with intriguing notes of geranium, violet, tomato leaf, & oakmoss, while richer notes of salted plum & dried cranberry build in the glass. The body is an intricately woven matrix of poached cherry & spiced plum compote, with tons of star anise, sassafras, birch, and pink peppercorn. The finish is smooth with just a hint of tannins, drawing you back in sip after sip! Drink now through 2028.

## WINE PROFILE

GRAPE VARIETY: 95% Counoise, 5% Cinsaut

APPELLATION: El Dorado AVA

VINEYARD: Starfield Vineyards

VINES: Planted 2013

ELEVATION & SITE: 2,400 ft. Warm south facing slope

where it can bask in the afternoon sun, but close enough to Starfield

Lake to benefit from a local evaporative cooling microclimate.

ALCOHOL: 14.8%

pH: 3.6

ACIDITY g/L: 6.1

CELLARING: 18 months in 19% new French oak,

81% neutral French oak

BOTTLING DATE: May 2024

PRODUCTION: 132 cases