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2002 Glenrose Vineyards Las Tablas Estates

Glenrose Vineyards

Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo, Central Coast, California, USA

Rhone Blend (a dry red table wine)

Review by Robert Parker

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Rating: 89 points

Estimated Cost: \$32.50

The 2002 Las Tablas Estates red Rhone blend (35% Syrah, 29% Mourvedre, 26% Grenache, 10% Counoise) is made by Tablas Creek from fruit purchased from the Glenrose Vineyards, not far from Peachy Canyon. Aged primarily in stainless steel, it reveals plenty of character in its deep ruby/purple color and sweet fruit. There is not a lot of complexity, and the finish is slightly austere, but it possesses a distinctive terroir note of earth, minerals, and spice. If it fleshes out a bit, it may merit an outstanding score. Interestingly, this vineyard is situated seven miles from the Pacific Ocean on very high altitude limestone soils. This is a noteworthy newcomer to California's Rhone Ranger lineup.

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