

EPOCH ESTATE WINES

2018 TEMPRANILLO

Epoch's 2018 Tempranillo is a diversion from past bottlings – it has spent an extra nine months in oak, totaling 29 months overall, to help tame its tannins before they begin to age in your cellar. With its extra time in barrel, cigar box character abounds and is mixed with sweet tobacco, ripe red cherry, vanilla, roasted herb, sweet earth, and forest floor. A few hours in the decanter or several years in your cellar are a must before partaking on this structured journey across the palate that only Tempranillo can provide. You can feel the architecture of this wine and watch it soften as you check in on it over the next decade.

- Jordan Fiorentini, Winemaker

VARIETY:	85% Tempranillo co-fermented with Graciano, Syrah, and Grenache for a natural boost in acidity
BIRTHPLACE:	100% Paderewski Vineyard
HOMETOWN:	Paso Robles AVA, Willow Creek District
BIRTH DATE:	September 7 – 25, 2018
BIRTH WEIGHT:	26.6° Brix
REARING:	Fermented in stainless steel tanks and ½-ton puncheons
EDUCATION:	Aged 29 months in French oak barrels and puncheons (54% new)
GPA:	3.88 pH 5.3 g/L TA 15.3% ABV
GRADUATION:	Bottled May 5, 2021
SIBLINGS:	538 Cases

WINE ADVOCATE

97

VINOUS

95

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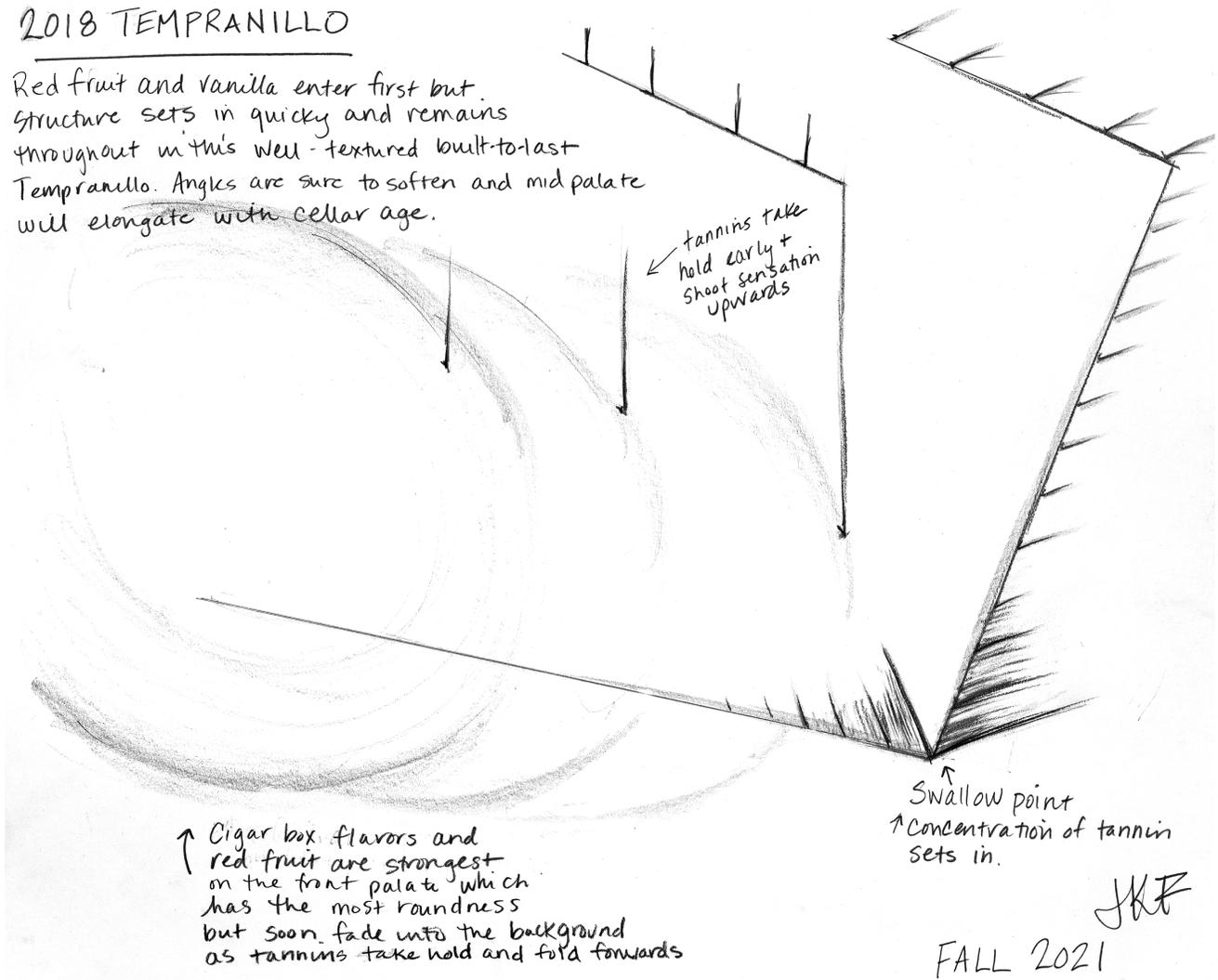
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Red fruit and vanilla enter first but structure sets in quickly and remains throughout in this well-textured built-to-last Tempranillo. Angles are sure to soften and mid palate will elongate with cellar age.



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VINPRESSION™

“When I taste wine it is all about sensation – through the nose, on the palate, and if the wine is good enough, all the way down into my knees. My job in writing tasting notes has been to describe this experience to you in words, however I don’t always see wines in just word format. When I taste a wine, I see abstract shapes and intersecting lines. I like to relate my sensory process to how an Italian talks with hand and arm gestures to describe their thoughts. So, to describe my thoughts, I started experimenting with drawing my tasting notes instead of describing them with word alone. It was through this experimentation that VINPRESSION™ was born.

Each VINPRESSION™ is my best attempt at communicating with you in a personal, visual format about how the wines smell, taste, and feel as you sip them. Texture of a wine is a huge part of wine tasting, and since it is a sensation, it is much easier for me to describe with a drawing.” - Jordan Fiorentini, Winemaker