

2020 LADY OF THE DEAD

The 2020 LADY OF THE DEAD features a dark fruit core of bramble berries, Morello cherry, candied fruits, vanilla, cedar, allspice and tilled earth along with notes of leather. The soft fruit entry comes with spiced dried fruits, a nice acid and tannin balance to support the medium weighted body and fruits that linger and gently gain weight. The bright plum-laced concentrated fruit finishes with an uptick of spices and toasted oak.

WINEMAKERS NOTES:

The grapes for this wine were hand-selected in the vineyards when they were harvested from various blocks at optimum ripeness from September 25 through October 15 and then hand-sorted twice in the winery to make sure only the best reached the fermentation tanks. Once in the tanks, the grapes sat cold for a few days developing color, flavor, and aroma before starting to ferment. The tanks were gently punched down and pumped over for 15 to 19 days to carefully extract all of the color, aroma, and flavor from the grapes. The juice was then drained, and skins pressed before being filled into barrels. The wine finished a native malolactic fermentation in the barrels in about two months and was aged for 21 months in small French and Hungarian oak barrels (16% new) and bottled in July 2022.

APPELLATION:	CALIFORNIA
VARIETAL:	64%CABERNET, 28%SYRAH, 7% TEMPRANILLO, 1% GRACIANO
ABV:	14.9%
PH:	3.7
TA:	6.27
PRODUCTION:	1317 CASES
MSRP:	\$55

THE FRIAS STORY:

In 1977 Manny Frias Sr. purchased 100 acres at the base of the iconic Spring Mountain District in Napa Valley. In 1985, five of those acres were planted, and FRIAS Family Vineyard was born. The first vintage was 1991, and since then, the vineyards have expanded to over 13 acres planted to Cabernet Sauvignon. FRIAS also produces wines from single vineyards in Oakville and Yountville from families with whom they have long-standing relationships.

Second-generation brothers
Fernando & Manny Frias Jr.
are now at the helm, and
continue the quest for
excellence with their
family-owned and artisanal
winery. Winemaker Todd Heth
has been with the team since
2004 crafting these polished
and powerful wines.