

DAOU

Estate Collection Micho

2024

Micho is our proprietary cuvée of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon, named for the sister of winery founders Georges and Daniel Daou. This is a wine of elegance and concentration that can only be attained from singular Paso Robles vineyard blocks.

Micho belongs to our Estate Collection—signifying wines grown in treasured vineyard blocks, selected for special attention, aged extensively in hand-selected, custom-crafted French oak barrels and created with care and devotion. This wine showcases the unrivaled terroir of Paso Robles.

Wine Profile

The 2024 vintage enchants the senses with its dark purple-red color and blue fruit aromas that are elegantly woven with notes of black cherry, vanilla, coffee, dried sage, tobacco and minerality. A bold entry on the palate leads to sumptuous flavors of blackberry jam, black cherry, pomegranate, dark chocolate and mocha. Rounded acidity and vivid tannins carry through the finish with length, balance and finesse.

The Vintage

The 2024 growing season began with abundant winter rains that replenished the soils and set the stage for healthy canopy development. Up to 21 inches of rainfall was observed, with the last storm landing in mid April. Temperatures remained mild through spring and early summer, followed by a two-week heat event starting in early July. The remainder of summer was marked by warm days coupled with cool evenings—a trend that led to optimal ripening and smaller berries with concentrated flavors. The harvest season saw two heatwaves that were punctuated by sustained cooling-off periods, allowing the DAOU vineyard team to pause and wait for peak maturation before picking. The resulting wines combine density and power with elegance and freshness, delivering a memorable vintage from Paso Robles.

The Estate

Hailed decades earlier as a “jewel of ecological elements” by legendary winemaker André Tchelistcheff, DAOU Mountain was rediscovered by brothers Georges and Daniel Daou in 2007. Their quest for a sublime terroir ended here, on steep slopes that ascend to an elevation of 2,200 feet, all blessed with the type of calcareous clay soil found in the greatest appellations. DAOU Estate Collection wines have since grown to include our most treasured vineyard blocks, earning worldwide critical acclaim and redefining what is possible from Paso Robles.



Aging

21 months in 80%
new French oak

Alcohol %

15.4%

Varietals

56% Merlot
44% Cabernet Sauvignon

Soil Profile

Calcareous clay and limestone

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Paso Robles