

2016 West Tango Cuvée



- Cabernet Sauvignon 67%, Dry Creek Valley AVA
- Malbec 33%, Chalk Hill AVA
- Harvested October 2016
- Bottled March 2019
- Aged 28 months in French oak barrels
- Alc. 14.2%

West Tango Cuvée is inspired by Katarina's visits with winemakers in Argentina. The **Malbec** grape hails originally from the Bordeaux region just like **Cabernet Sauvignon**. While Malbec is a blending grape in Bordeaux it has blossomed in its own right in the new world.

West Tango Cuvée is an intense and elegant wine, just like the dance, both restrained and passionate. It is rich in flavors of black cherry, leather, sweet tobacco, dark chocolate and earthy with well-rounded tannins. The wine was aged 28 months in French oak barrels before being bottled.

The Cabernet Sauvignon grows on our hillside property in the north end of Dry Creek Valley AVA and the Malbec grapes come from Chalk Hill AVA, creating this Sonoma County wine. The grapes are hand harvested and meticulously sorted before crush and fermentation.

West Wines is a family-owned winery in Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County since 1998. Our winemaking style leans heavily on French methods. Our vineyards are certified California Sustainable.

The wines are made by winemaker **Katarina Bonde** and consulting winemaker **Phyllis Zouzounis**. Phyllis began her winemaking career at Dry Creek Vineyards in 1980 and has been the winemaker at many prestigious wineries in Sonoma County. Katarina has blended a Winemaker's certificate from UC Davis with hands on experience at West Wines.