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2016 Lodi Red Wine

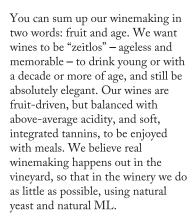
Borra Vineyards Gill Creek Ranch Planted 2001: 70% Petite Sirah, 10% Syrah Clone 877 Spenker Ranch Block 8A Planted 2005: 10% Petit Verdot Spenker Ranch Block 4 Planted 1900: 10% Carignane

> In 2002, after years of driving the 2+ hours from his home in Switzerland, down to the town of Riquewihr in Alsace, France, Markus had an "aha" moment: "My eyes were opened and I was able to look closer at wines that are powerful, concentrated and elegant, but very unique in their own ways, completely depending on the many unique soils and microclimates and terroir." Ages of clashing of faults, and the Rhine River eroding mountain rocks, formed in that place an incredible diversity of mother earth soil ("sol" in French), depicted on this label by artist Alicia Muiños.

Made from the best two barrels of the vintage's reds, our dry, but exquisitely-rich blend of mostly mixed blacks naturally puts those black fruits in focus. This is a succulent sauce of blackberries and black cherries with well-integrated, chalky tannins, leading long into bonus layers of black licorice and roasted coffee. Rub some coffee and pepper on a ribeye and get the grill going. (10/15/2018)

Our Story

Founded in 2014, Markus Wine Co. began as a subventure of Lodi's first boutique winery, Borra Vineyards. Swiss-born winemaker Markus Niggli selects from wisely-planted ancient vines and newly-planted unusual offerings throughout the Lodi region to craft small-production bottlings.



For what's on the bottles, Markus explains, "People, like wine, are shaped by unique places," which is why each label brings together a location from Markus's past with the current grape source. Creative expressions of the locations are realized through a long-term collaboration with label designer Michael Leonard and his students at the University of the Pacific in Stockton.









SPECIFICATIONS	
SEPTEMBER 1-30	VEAST MALO-LACTIC PH TA g/L NATIVE NATIVE 3.50 6.00
CCU) SOAK / FREE RUN	23 HOWTHS CNCE-FILLED FR OAK
ALC./VOL. RESIDUAL SUGAR g/L 14.6% 1.30 / JRY	BOTTLED CASES PRICE SS \$39/750mL

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