



TIMBRE

WINERY

FEBRUARY 2025 - 19.4 YEARS OF TIMBRE

DEAR FRIENDS,

The countdown to 20 years is on... This coming Fall 2025 will mark 20 years of Chiasa and I **OWNING** a winery (vintage 2024 was our 20th). At first, it didn't look like much of a winery. It was an LLC, a couple of handshake deals on some fruit, and **10 BARRELS OF WINE**. It was late nights at the bar at Sona Restaurant in West Hollywood, tipsy conversations between somms and bartenders, friends and guests, and an ill-formed plan of action. There was time spent on the phone while working as an intern for Sony Pictures Entertainment, and notepads, and **OH SO EMBARRASSING SPREADSHEETS**. The last 20 years has had numerous financial shocks, recessions, Covid 19, ever changing consumer tastes, and even the challenges of dry January (he writes with a chuckle). But it has also had **IMMEASURABLE JOY**. Timbre has seen birthdays, marriages, anniversaries, and so many dinner parties. It has witnessed so many celebrations and too many toasts to count.

Through it all, Chiasa and I continue to believe in our mission... Nearly 20 years has forged two people who are committed to stick to some simple basics...

- Timbre will continue to make wines that are **DELICIOUS AND WELCOMING**.
- Timbre will continue to foster a **COMMUNITY** to enjoy those wines, and meaningful time together.
- Timbre will continue to **SUPPORT** the causes we care about in our community.

Ultimately, that's what matters. That's what keeps us going. And that's what we strive to share... Cheers!

- Chiasa & Josh -

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TASTING NOTES

2023 IMPROVISATION SPARKLING ALBARIÑO, RIVERBENCH VINEYARD

Since coming home from a trip to Spain in summer 2023 I have been looking forward to this one!

HONEYDEW, orange peel, peach, **GRAPEFRUIT**, green apple, and white flowers dance on the bubbles before you even had a sip. The wine is zingy and salty, but also creamy as **BUBBLY** wines can be. You're going to want this wine **EVERY MORNING** so listen to that from *Sugar Ray* while you sip! Drink now, we will make more!

2022 GUEST STAR CHARDONNAY, GOLD COAST VINEYARD

Chardonnay, when made with the right intention is, quite possibly, the most delicious thing in the world. I would say, with all honesty, this one ain't bad. **PEAR**, lemon zest, and brioche on the nose lead to tropical notes of **GUAVA**, and **VANILLA BEAN** ice cream, and a finish that goes on and on. This wine should be savored on a summer evening, as should **RIGHT BACK TO IT** by *Waxahatchee*. Drink now, until 2030+.

2018 THE HEADLINER PINOT NOIR, PRESQU'ILE VINEYARD

I love Pinot Noir when it hits that point where the **FRESHNESS OF YOUTH** begins to yield to the **WISDOM OF EXPERIENCE**. Cherry and raspberry stand alongside root beer, pipe tobacco, and dark chocolate. Brininess on the palate, with black tea, and peppery, candied jerky. This wine exudes a depth that deserves a ballad about love. **BLEEDING LOVE** by *Leona Lewis* should suffice if you need to feel a little tonight! Drink now-2035+.

2020 THE HEADLINER PINOT NOIR, PALI VINEYARD

Not gonna lie, I also love Pinot Noir when it is unabashedly (rudely?) youthful. Pali in the Sta. Rita Hills has the brashness of my teenage daughter. **RED APPLE SKINS**, red berry preserves, and toasted bread adorn a nose that is fruity and playful. Sour cherry, **LAFFY TAFFY**, and blackberry dance on your tongue as you dance to **RUDE** by *Magic*. Drink Now-2032+.

2021 THE HOOK SYRAH, DONATI VINEYARD

Syrah from Donati, which should be familiar at this point, has a freshness that is not always apparent in the variety. This wine has a hint of **BERGAMOT** on the nose along with **FIG**, and blackberry. Blood orange, hibiscus, marshmallow, and **ANGOSTURA BITTERS** make it both complex and regal. Listen to **HEAVY IS THE CROWN** by *Linkin Park* while you consider the royalty of this delicious beverage. Drink now and forever!

2018 RARE GROOVE #5 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, THIERIOT VINEYARD

From the Thieriot vineyard in Santa Ynez this wine is almost gone, and we thought, why not give you all one more taste! This wine is very **DARK AND FRUITY**. Caramel, cigar box, and **SPICY COCOA NIBS** lead to a palate framed by chewy tannins and a long finish. How about a modern classic for this one. **AMAZED** by *Lonestar* fits nicely. Drink now-2030+.

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OCTOBER 2024

DEAR FRIENDS,

2024 is our **20TH HARVEST**... I have heard that approximately five hundred decisions go into each and every bottle of wine. I would argue that the true number is probably higher but, luckily, we don't have to make every one of those decisions consciously. That means that conservatively, over the past 20 harvests, I have been involved in plus or minus half of a million decisions. When I left my condo at 3am on a brisk morning in September of **2005** I was excited having zero foresight into journey that was to be. That day I was awake for **TWENTY-SEVEN STRAIGHT HOURS** and the fruits of that labor live on in the 2005 La Fenetre Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon from Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard. I did not foresee the future all-nighters, months straight without days off, and the infinite well of inspiration derived from the art of making wine. My good friend Chaim recently inquired if, knowing what I know now, I would still choose to make wine. Without hesitation the answer was, is, and always will be **YES**. Is every day great? Not a chance... But I do look forward to heading to the winery daily... even on bottling day (ugh). I am always excited about the prospect of a new challenge, and a new solution. If you want a good laugh, ask Chiasa what her opinion on the last 20 years has been 😊!



(Josh, First Blending, 2005)

(Chiasa & Josh, First Harvest Dinner, 2006)

(Chiasa & Josh, First bottling, 2005)

This release, as always, includes new wines and a wine you may have had before, but I always think of every bottle as new. Even if I have had a wine before, there is always something new to discover once I pull that cork, crown cap, or screw top! And in case you were wondering, those first wines from my 2005 harvest are delicious as of a few months ago. A huge shout out to Gary & Mike who have taken this journey with us from the first release... Cheers!

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2023 DANCING QUEEN SPARKLING ROSE, SPANISH SPRINGS & SADA

For its fifth iteration the difficult decision to make dancing queen sparkling turned out to be the best one yet. Notes of honeysuckle, zingy strawberry, raspberry, peach, hubba bubba gum, jolly rancher, and lemony citrus. We took a chance on Gary & Bethany making this wine sparkling, so I think an apt pairing would be **TAKE A CHANCE ON ME** by ABBA. Drink now, we will make more!

2022 LEAD VOCALS PINOT NOIR, SPANISH SPRINGS VINEYARD

Spanish Springs vineyard is truly a gem on the coast of California. Just inland from Pismo Beach the temperate cool days and nights translate into tiny, concentrated berries and deeply complex wines. With a smoky nose, the tasting notes from our Timbre team include Pez candy, tart cherry, black tea, ripe fruit, holiday spice, and a long creamy finish. With its sultry fireplace vibe, it is a wine that makes you recall fond memories. Listen to *Zach Bryan & Kacey Musgraves* duet **I REMEMBER EVERYTHING**. Drink now-2032

2019 THE RHYTHM PINOT NOIR, CHENE VINEYARD

The **CHENE** vineyard in Edna Valley's volcanic soils grow beautiful fruit. This wine has pomegranate, crushed herbs, frozen blueberries, white pepper, red-delicious apple, and a hint of oak. Bonus food pairing from Annette who exclaimed "give me a rack of lamb and we're good to go!" While this wine makes me feel all warm inside, I like to cool it down with *Paula Abdul's* **COLD HEARTED**. Drink Now -2030+!

2021 RARE GROOVE #4 SYRAH & GRENACHE BLANC, CAMP 4 VINEYARD

Red grapes and white grapes... together? Yes Karen, yes indeed! This blend of Syrah & Grenache Blanc from **CAMP 4** is quite a stunner. Blueberry pie with a dollop of cream, dark plum, cranberry, currant, and tart acidity. For its rare groove & funky notes spin **I BELIEVE IN MIRACLES** by *the Jackson Sisters*. Drink now - 2031+

2021 RARE GROOVE #5 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, TOMMY TOWN VINEYARD

Tommy Town is one of the most beautiful vineyards we get the privilege of visiting each fall as the fruit slowly starts to ripen. Also a horse ranch, the morning light on this property is magical. Almonds, vanilla, sweet yellow pepper, bitter chocolate, plums, black olives, and menthol grace this stunner. A wine from Happy Canyon makes us **HAPPY TOGETHER** by *The Turtles*.

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