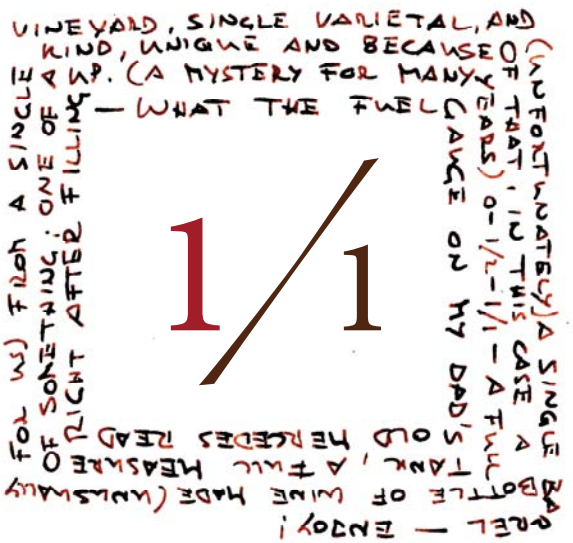
Sanguis

2012 1/1

California Central Coast Syrah,
produced and bottled by Sanguis
in Santa Barbara, CA



Vitals

Varietals	Syrah-Estrella 87%, Viognier 13%, (13% whole cluster)
Vineyards	John Sebastiano, Sta. Rita Hills
Harvest Dates	October 20
Yields	1.4 tons / acre; 1.2 lbs/vine
Brix (at harvest)	25.4
Alcohol	15.0%
pH	3.57
Barrels / Coopers	300L French Oak, Once-used
Barrel Aging	28 months
Rackings	1 (plus bottling)
Filtering / Fining	None
Bottled	February 2015
Production	100 3 packs (2 x 750 mL, 1 x 1.5L)
Release	Spring 2015
Winery Retail	$475 / 3-pack

Notes

As usual, 1/1 is made from a single barrel and is thus the most limited production wine of the vintage. Frequently misunderstood: contrary to convention for California wines, 1/1 does not attempt to win your admiration with sheer power and heft. 1/1 is an athlete whose well-proportioned body combines strength with lightness and speed, whose soul feeds on unwavering determination, and whose mind is of keen intellect and quick wit. This is the kind of athlete who manages to disguise fierce effort in the graceful movements of a ballet dancer - whether it's skiing the Italian Alps, racing cars on the Isle of Man, or bicycles through the French countryside, or throwing a discus every four years at the Olympics. Sometimes out-muscled by competitors the athlete doesn't win every contest, but is always the most enjoyable to watch ...float like a butterfly, sting like a bee...

General direction for FOOD: If bovine, better make it a cut like hanger, flank or sirloin – you want flavor; better yet lamb with lots of garlic and rosemary, or venison on the rare side with some earthy and fruit (like cherries) accompaniments. Or – if you want to give 1/1 true "center stage", charcuterie, some hard sheeps milk cheeses, dried fruits, nuts and a salad.

MUSIC that might be good to listen to while drinking this: "Blue 7" by Sonny Rollins, "Riot" by Miles Davis, and the entire "Sugar" album by Stanley Turrentine

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