



COPIA

VINEYARDS & WINERY



Copia Vineyards 2022 The Matador

Varietal Composition:	80% Tempranillo, 15% Mourvèdre, 5% Syrah
Appellation and Vineyards:	Paso Robles Templeton Gap District Caelesta Vineyard
Terroir:	Calcareous limestone
Harvest:	August 25, 2022
Winemaking:	Grapes were carefully cluster and berry sorted, 100% destemmed and fermented in stainless steel. After a cold maceration of 5 days, daily punch-downs, pump-overs and pneumatage were conducted through the first half of fermentation. Minimal capwork thereafter.
Élevage:	The wine rested for 30 months in 43% new oak (33% French, 10% American).
Production:	200 cases
Bottled On:	April 21, 2025
Winemaker	Varinder Sahi
Tasting Notes	2022 The Matador has bold, firm structure and real composure. Aromas lead with black cherry and dark red berries, followed by layers of cocoa, cedar, and tobacco. There is an undertone of a darker anise alongside dusty, scorched-earth that keeps the wine firmly rooted. The palate is full-bodied with generous fruit up front, then tightens into a focused, balanced finish. Thirty months of extended aging in oak adds quiet depth and polish—bringing a refined, cigar-box complexity—while the wine’s lengthy, steady tannins provide a wine that will evolve with time. The finish carries black cherry, cocoa, tobacco, and earth with a lingering, savory-mineral impression. Approachable now with a decant but built to reward patience—expect a decade plus drinking window.
Food Pairings	Spanish Tapas (Jamón Ibérico, Albondigas) Red Wine Braised Short-Rib Spanish Paella Cheeses: 60-month Beemster XO Aged Gouda
Reviews	93 pts—Jeb Dunnuck “Red and black fruits, cigar, and cedary nuances emerge from the 2022 The Matador ... it’s medium to full-bodied, firm and focused, but with solid fruit and terrific balance. It shows the sunny style of the vintage while staying focused, balanced, and incredibly drinkable. It should have 10-12 years of prime drinking.” 93 pts—James Suckling “Powerful and dusty with cocoa powder and black cherries. Dark cigar tobacco and anise pulse throughout, anchored by scorched earth. Very generous and appealing already, yet the lengthy tannins will allow for extended aging.”

TA 5.7 | PH 3.8 | RS 0.8 | ALC BY VOL. 14.7%