



Wise Villa Winery

## 2018 TOURIGA NACIONAL

**Awards:** Gold Medal & 90 Points  
in Orange County Fair



**O**ur 2018 Touriga Nacional displays rich flavors of dark fruit, blackberries, leather, cedar, vanilla, and spice, with a firm finish. Pairs best with red meats, BBQ, & dark sauces.

### WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES:

"Touriga Nacional, native to Portugal, holds onto crisp acidity and firm tannins even in a warm climate such as our Lincoln vineyard. 2018 was a cool vintage, allowing the grapes to reach full ripeness slowly while retaining fresh fruit & acidity. After hand-picking the grapes, we fermented this wine on the skins in stainless steel tanks for 4 weeks, including a cold soak and extended maceration, and the resulting wine is dark in color and flavor, with bold fine-grained tannins and acidity to match. We aged this wine on 40% new French and American oak and hickory and maple wood. This wine is deeply complex and earthy with a long lingering finish."

---Owner & Founder Dr. Grover Lee & Winemaker Steven Eriksen

### Varietals

100% Touriga Nacional

### Apellation

Lincoln, Placer County, Sierra Foothills

### Climate

Continental, warm dry days and cool nights with 40°F temperature shifts

### Exposure

West facing slopes

### Trellis

VSP

### Destemming, Fermentation, & Pressing

Destemmed, 3 day cold soak with natural yeast present, 11 day fermentation with punch downs, 7 day extended maceration. Pressed direct to barrels on full lees and aged 20 months.

### Soil

Loamy sand, decomposed granite

### Picked (sugar level)

25.4 Brix

### Alcohol

13.7%

### Acidity

6.1 g/L total acidity & 3.49 pH

### Aging

40% new French & Minnesota oak, maple & hickory wood, 60% neutral oak for 20 months on full sur lies contact with monthly stirring.

### Final Production

234 cases