Stephan Asseo, owner and winemaker at L'Aventure Winery, began making wine in 1982. In that same year, Stephan established Domaine de Courteillac in Bordeaux. He and his family later purchased Chateau Fleur Cardinal and Chateau Robin in the Cotes de Castillion in Bordeaux. Over the next 15 years, Stephan developed into an artisan winemaker of fastidious craftsmanship and gained a "maverick" reputation. His true desire was to be more innovative than AOC law would allow. In 1996, this led him, his wife Beatrice and their 3 children, on a journey to pursue his ideal as a winemaker. In 1997, after one year of research, they fell in love with a unique terroir in the west side Paso Robles. And L'Aventure began in 1998!

CHLOÉ 2022

Bottled March 2024

55% Syrah, 33% Grenache, 9% Viognier, 3% Graciano

100% Estate Grown Fruit from L'Aventure Vineyard

Low Yield: 2.5 Tons Per Acre

43% New French Oak, 29% 1-Year Old French Oak, 28% Amphora

No Fining, No Filtering

Length Of Aging: 18 Months

Drink Window: 20+ Years

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Juicy red and blue fruits, peppery herbs, graphite, and leather all shine in the 2022 Chloé, a Syrah-dominated blend that has more Viognier than normal. It's another ripe, medium to fullbodied, round, supple, and approachable 2022 from this team that's already drinking nicely. The full blend is 55% Syrah, 33% Grenache, 9% Viognier, and the rest Graciano, all aged 15 months in 43% new French oak, with a full 28% of the blend brought up in Amphora.

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A very delicate and refined nose with lifted aromas of wild blackberries, tea leaves and herbs. The palate is full-bodied with silky tannins and bright acidity, showing complex aromas of blackcurrants, coffee beans, dark chocolate and cured meat. Refined and classy. Made from a co-fermented blend of 55% Syrah, 33% Grenache, 9% Viognier and 3% Graciano. Drink or hold.