

Radog Wines



Dan Tudor's second project/label is Radog. It was created in 2005. Dan wanted to declassify one half of the 2004 Pinot Noir vintage from Tudor so he needed a second label. With a little Bull Terrier on a surfboard on the label, it's fun, and some great wine! So what's with the label anyway? Well, Dan and the graphic designer he uses were having a beer (yes, winemakers drink beer too) and Mexican food and were trying to come up with a name for the second label. Dan likes to surf and he wanted to have a Bull Terrier some day (now he does; her name is Evie) so they came up with Radog. Gewürztraminer, Rosé of Pinot Noir, Sauvignon Blanc and yes, another delicious Pinot Noir are produced under the Radog label.

(note: the Pinot Noir is not available at this time.)

THE WINES

Gewürztraminer - Made from 36 year old vines in gravelly soil, the vineyard is very cool and windy in this Monterey AVA site. Free-run juice with no skin contact eliminates any bitterness on the finish. The wine is fermented in stainless steel. Made in a classic Alsatian style, there are grapefruit and honeysuckle characteristics.

Sauvignon Blanc - From the Arroyo Seco area of the Monterey AVA sits Cedar Lane Vineyard. It is managed by Michael Griva of the Griva Vineyard (where the 90 point Bernardus Sauvignon Blanc fruit comes from) and is neighbors to it. Like the Gewürztraminer, the Sauvignon Blanc is fermented in stainless steel. Dan has made this wine in the Marlborough style although it is a bit fatter than a New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc. Still, a very crisp wine.

Rosé of Pinot Noir - Made as a saignée from the Cedar Lane vineyard. The wine is fermented in neutral French oak barrels. The Radog Rosé is a soft and round rosé with bright flavors of watermelon, strawberry, and raspberry and a hint of peppery spices.

Evie & Dan

