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Margerum Wine Company 2019 M5 White Wine Scores Big

Rated #30 in Wine Enthusiast Top 100 Wines

SANTA BARBARA, California. (December 1, 2020) – Margerum Wine Company, one of Santa Barbara’s best known wine producers, announced today that Wine Enthusiast Magazine has recognized the Margerum M5 White Rhône Blend, Margerum Estate Vineyard, Los Olivos District as a Top 100 Wine of the Year at #30.

Wine Enthusiasts’ global team of editors and tasters cumulatively reviewed more than 25,000 wines to develop a ranking of the top wines tasted over the last 12 months. The editors and tasters reveal *“that this roster represents some of the most exciting finds on the market today”*.

Margerum earned a coveted #30 spot with a score of 94 points. The review: *Complex and yet utterly refreshing, this estate blend of 45% Grenache Blanc, 21% Marsanne, 14% Viognier, 13% Roussanne and 7% Picpoul Blanc begins with wet stone, chalk, nectarine, Rainier cherry and creamed pear on the crisp nose. The palate sizzles with acidity and ashy, chalky tension, delivering flavors of kiwi, lychee and more stone fruit.*

“We are thrilled with this accolade, which is a great honor for Margerum Wine Company,” says Douglas Barden Margerum Owner and Director of Winemaking. “This is an important recognition of the excellence of our Estate Vineyard. Margerum was the only Santa Barbara County wine to be included in the top 100.

This acknowledgment follows the achievement of many other Margerum wines. Among them 96 points and 95 points from Antonio Galloni of Vinous for the 2018 Margerum Uber Syrah & 2018 Margerum Black Oak Vineyard Syrah respectively and

95 points for both the 2018 Margerum Estate Syrah and the 2018 Margerum M5 Red Reserve from the Wine Enthusiast.

The vision to plant an estate vineyard to five white Rhône varietals was years in the making. The wine is priced at a suggested retail of \$28.95.

About Margerum Wine Company

Margerum Wine Company is committed to creating handcrafted wines using only the highest quality grapes so that we can make wines that are indicative of the place where they are grown.

Margerum makes wines naturally, wines that have individual characteristics and wines with personality. The scale of production is kept at a level where we can touch and know the wine as it is raised to the bottle - the antithesis of mass production - old world techniques in the new world.

- Our winery is kept at a constant 55 degrees to preserve flavor in the wines.
- All of the red wines are fermented in small open-top fermenters and punched down by hand.
- We use lees and the CO2 from fermentation as antioxidants rather than excessive use of sulfur.
- We farm organically and sustainably - we are good stewards of the land.
- We love making wine and working with inspired vineyard owners. Visit the web-site to see the variety of wines produced, including our flagship Riviera Rosé, Sybarite Sauvignon Blanc, M5 red Rhône-style blend, M5 White, Grenache, ÜBER Syrah, and Estate Syrah.

Find out more about Margerum Wine Company: www.margerumwines.com

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