

Vineyard	Wine	Exper	Purchases	Comments
Caliza	★★★½	★★★★	2019 Grenache 2013 Syrah 2014 Syrah 2015 Syrah 2013 Cohort 2014 Cohort 2015 Cohort	We've belonged to the Caliza wine club since 2018 and have loved everything that they have shipped to us. Their reds are powerful and perfectly balanced. Oddly, we were familiar with all but one of the wines we tasted. However, we have not tasted any of the last couple of vintages as they need more time in the bottle. Under our living circumstances (on the road in our RV) we bought a library bundle that we can consume over the next 4 months.
Tablas Creek	★★★½	★★★	2014 Esprit de Tablas Blanc 2019 Petit Menseng 2018 Esprit De Tablas 2019 Esprit De Tablas	Tablas Creek has an unusual approach to winemaking. They have a partnership with a Rhone valley winery in France where both wineries are jointly owned. They grow the exact same grapes and make the same wines with the objective of bringing Rhone style wines made in the French way to California. They have succeeded in that goal. We had an excellent tasting with a very knowledgeable server. Sadly, the French Rhone style is not our favorite and their wines aren't quite "our thing". We bought the most interesting of what we tasted.
McPrice Meyer	★★★	★★★½	2020 L'Ange Rouge 2020 Paper Street Cuvée 2020 Sel de la Terre Grenache	We belong to the McP club and buy a lot of wine from them. They not only make outstanding GSMs, but awesome blends and "everyday wines". We love their wines and so does our extended family. Their prices are low for the quality and in some cases an incredible bargain. Our tasting was excellent and included many wines that we have been drinking for several years.
Copia	★★½	★★★	2019 The Story Grenache 2019 The Cure GSM 2019 The Source Syrah	Copia is a new winery that has achieved outstanding results in just five years. The owners/winemaker had no previous winery experience but have managed to make some outstanding wines. We bought one of each of their reds.
Herman Story	★★½	★★★★	2020 Casual Encounters GSM 2020 Nuts and Bolts Syrah	This place is unique. The owner and winemaker, Russel From, is locally renowned for his wackiness. The entire winery reflects this. A typical tasting note starts like this: "Like wrecking a record number of 80s sedans at the demolition derby during your third driver's test this month." That said, he makes awesome and powerful reds. Everything we tasted was amazing. Even though they only produce 700 cases a year, he makes a variety of Grenaches, GSMs, Syrah, and a couple of blends. We would have bought more, but we joined their club instead.

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Turley	★★★	★★★½	2015 Casa Nuestra Blend 2017 Tecolete Red Blend 2018 Zampatti Zinfandel	We have been Turley members for several years and buy a couple of cases annually. They are master Zin makers and pull grapes from all over California. They rival Seghesio and consistently make great wines for a reasonable price. Our tasting was unremarkable and they didn't have a wide variety to taste given we were there during one of the slowest weeks of the year and they didn't want to open a bunch of wine that they couldn't serve. Still it was a nice side-by-side comparison of wines that we normally buy. Even though they were all young (2020s) they were quite good. We ended up buying some library wines to consume while we're on the road.
End of the Day	★★½	★★½	2109 Shellstone White 2020 ZM Cuvee 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon	End of the Day is a Caliza project to make lower-end, every day wines that that you can drink immediately. The tasting room is not at the Caliza winery, but in Tin City – a complex of shops and restaurants on the other side of Paso. A few years ago we bought some of these wines and they were a good deal for the money. Then they seemed to drop off the face of the earth. On this stop, we discovered they have recently added several new wines and ramping up production. Their entire line-up is quite tasty and a (relative) bargain.

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