

CADUCEUS CELLARS & MERKIN VINEYARDS

Merkin 2022 Chupacabra

Varieties: Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre

Vineyard: Buhl Memorial Vineyard, Willcox, Cochise County, AZ

Elevation: 4300 ft.

Soil: The site is 80 acres, with 60 planted, 20 of those in 1982—
one of the oldest vineyards in post-prohibition Arizona.

The soils here provide glimpses of past volcanic eruptions,
faulting, erosion, and the ancient Pedregosa Sea.

Notes: Fermented and aged in concrete. Latest bud break on record.
Monsoon conditions started a month early with record rain-
fall. Cool temperatures slowed ripening for a long harvest.

Alcohol: 12.5%

Winemaker: M.J. Keenan

Impressions: The Trickster. The Shape Shifter. The ever elusive shadow
which mutates with the Sun and Moon. One year a
dragon, another a snake. How often do we discover a
wine that, as well as being fun to drink, is fun to say?
Here is a rich and satisfying red blend you can pop
open for any occasion...