

# *The Storm Cellar*

VINEYARD + WINERY  
Hotchkiss, Colorado

## FIELD BLEND

Estate  
West Elks, Colorado  
2020

### TECH

pH – 3.3  
TA – 6.2  
Alcohol – 13%  
RS – < 1 g/L  
Production – 125 cases

### WINEMAKING

This was a one-of-a-kind experiment, forced upon us due to our dramatically reduced yield in the 2020 vintage, which was a result of a combination of phylloxera and frost. We hand-harvested the grapes in a single pass, and we fermented them together as a single wine, right from the start.

### THE GRAPES

Our 2020 Field Blend is a true taste of both our vineyard and the vintage. The final blend ended up being around 60% Riesling, 30% Chardonnay, 7% Pinot Gris, and 3% Sauvignon Blanc.

### TASTING NOTES

This experimental wine is rich and textural, with an opulence derived from the hyper-ripe Chardonnay and Pinot Gris. The Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc in the blend provide finesse, aromatics, and a ripping acidity. The wine, as a whole, is complex, structured, and dry, which makes it suitable on its own or when paired with foods such as roast chicken, risotto, or seafood.

### RECOGNITION

Our 2020 Field Blend was awarded a gold medal in the 2021 San Francisco International Wine Competition.

