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Soil Without the Magic Rocks

PARTICIPANT WORKSHEET

THE RULE		
Write observation and documented evidence before explanation. Keep the final wine effect conditional.		

STEP	EVIDENCE OR HYPOTHESIS	CONFIDENCE / LIMIT
Direct observation or documented condition		
Predicted vine response		
Predicted grape consequence		
Possible wine effect		
Competing vineyard explanation		
Cellar, age, or service alternative		

Confidence

[] Strong evidence [] Plausible [] Insufficient evidence

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Application and Evidence Audit

COMPLETE NO-WINE EXERCISE

Compare drainage and retention in contrasting media; predict first and state where the container analogy fails.

THE FLINT BOUNDARY

You cannot taste vineyard flint itself in wine. Flinty can be a useful sensory metaphor, but it is not literal rock transfer or proof of geology. Roots take up water and dissolved ions; flinty impressions can involve volatile sulfur, acidity, other wine chemistry, and expectation.

Optional application

Flight S - Site system, first pass: Two site-designated wines matched for producer, grape, vintage, nearby geography, and broadly comparable production. Observe blind before revealing site facts.

APPLICATION CHECK	YOUR NOTES
What is directly observed?	
What is documented by a strong source?	
What remains an inference?	
What would improve confidence?	
What must this exercise not claim?	

One sentence worth keeping

Alternative explanation

What I would verify next