



2013 Syrah

Santa Barbara County

Tasting Notes

The 2013 Santa Barbara County Syrah combines fruit from five of the Syrah vineyards we work with. After blending trials, Petite Sirah, Mourvèdre and Grenache were added for structure, aromatics and complexity. More than a sum of its parts, it is dark and rich. Exhibiting cherry, wild berry and violet aromatics, this wine is full and fruitful in the mouth, with underlying espresso and pepper flavors. Sharing the same farming and winemaking techniques as our vineyard designated wines, this Syrah can be enjoyed upon release or cellared for several years.

Technical Information

Vineyard	Stolpman Vineyard, Ballard Canyon (SY) 29% Thompson Vineyard, Los Alamos Valley (SY, PS, MV) 25% Larner Vineyard, Ballard Canyon (SY) 19% Kimsey Vineyard, Ballard Canyon (SY) 16% Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (SY, GR) 11%
Harvest	October 19-25, 23.5-26 Brix, 3.3-3.5 pH
Composition	84% Syrah, 9% Petite Sirah, 4% Mourvèdre, 3% Grenache
Fermentation	Fruit was stemmed, not crushed. Intact whole berries fermented in small boxes for 14 days after a 48 hour cold soak.
Barrel Aging	Aged in older, neutral French and American oak barrels for 10 months
Cellar notes	Unfined and lightly filtered
Alcohol	14.8 % by Vol.
Bottling Date	August 17, 2014
Production	1061 (12/750ml) 199 (12/375ml), 50 (6/1.5L)