

2014 SyrahSanta Barbara County

Tasting Notes

The 2014 Santa Barbara County Syrah combines fruit from the five Syrah vineyards we work with. After blending trials, Petite Sirah, Mourvédre 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	Larner Vineyard, Ballard Canyon (SY)	29%
	Stolpman Vineyard, Ballard Canyon (SY, GR)	24%
	Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (SY, GR)	19%
	Thompson Vineyard, Los Alamos Valley (SY, PS, MV)	16%
	Kimsey Vineyard, Ballard Canyon (SY)	12%
Harvest	September 16 - October 8, 23.5-27 Brix, 3.32-3.55 pH	
Composition	80% Syrah, 10% Grenache, 8% Petite Sirah, 2% Mourvédre	
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 25, 2015	
Production	1,253 cases (12/750ml)	_

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