



2014 K The Hidden Syrah

The heart of darkness. Layers upon layers of black tea, plum, blackberry and warm sand. All together firm yet yielding with depth that has no bottom. WOW!

Current & Past Scores

99 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

"I continue to feel that this is one of the top Syrahs coming out Washington today, and it certainly doesn't get the notoriety it deserves. The 2014 Syrah The Hidden Northridge Vineyard is up there with the best of them and comes from a 93-acre vineyard that lies on a south-facing, gravel slope in the foothills of the Saddle Mountain range. This is one of the warmest and driest regions in the state. This deep ruby/purple tinged effort offers a sensational, deep, rich and concentrated style that closes down quickly in the glass. Black cherries, wet earth, lavender and incense characteristics dominate the bouquet, and it has a core of sweet fruit, ripe tannin and a blockbuster finish. Give bottles 2-4 years, count yourself lucky, and enjoy over the following decade or more."

97 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (v2013)*

"Reminding me of a Northern Rhone Syrah from the Le Meal lieu-dit on Hermitage Hill, the 2013 Syrah The Hidden Northridge Vineyard comes entirely from the Northridge Vineyard on the Wahluke Slope, was fermented with 100% whole clusters and aged in mostly neutral oak. It offers thrilling notes of black raspberries, toasted bread, caramelized meats and licorice in a full-bodied, ultra- pure, supple, incredibly sexy style. Possessing building, ne tannin, it needs a lengthy decant if drinking anytime soon, but this utterly seamless, perfectly balanced beauty will offer upward of two decades of overall longevity."

Vineyard

The vineyards we work with are farmed using the most up to date sustainable practices.

Northridge (100%): Loamy, fine sand over silica limestone, these ancient soils above the Missoula Flood plain are some of the best to grow fruit. This site is higher elevation and has cooler evenings, which creates later ripening, lots of minerality and concentration. A hidden gem!

Vintage

2014 had an early spring and a wonderful, long summer with cool nights to help maintain great acidity in the grapes. Going into the Fall, temperatures cooled down quite a bit throughout the state, and we were able to hang the fruit for a long period of time before harvest. This combination allowed us to develop more complex flavors, while still maintaining the acidity to produce bright, focused wines.

Blend

100% Syrah

Appellation

Wahluke Slope

Production

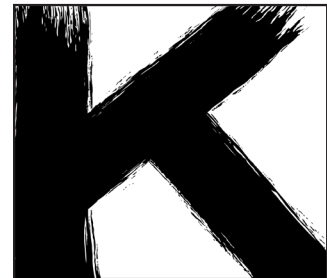
Yield: 2.2 tons per acre
100% whole cluster pressed
Yeast: native
48 days on skins
60% new French puncheons
18 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

5.7 g/L titratable acidity
3.95 pH
15.0% alcohol

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