



2015 K River Rock Syrah

The nose leads you to the garrigue heart of this Syrah which pumps through every vein of this rock grown wine. Brick fireplace ash, Christmas Spice and so on. This is a classic of Walla Walla.

Current & Past Scores

95 Points, *Jeb Dunnuck*

"The 2015 Syrah River Rock is another rock star Syrah from this estate and it's just about overflowing with Rocks character. Currants, smoked herbs, olive brine and some peaty notes all give way to a ripe, concentrated, seamless beauty that has loads of charm and character. With fine tannin and a layered style, it will keep for 10-15 years."

94 Points, *Wine Spectator (v2013)*

"Broad and open-textured, this offers juicy, pear-accented blackberry, licorice and black tea flavors, finishing harmoniously with pinpoint focus. This has presence and depth without great weight. Best from 2017 through 2023."

94 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (v2012)*

"Another classic Walla Walla Syrah, the 2012 Syrah River Rock Vineyard comes from the southern end of the Walla Walla Valley and the region known as "The Rocks." Giving up lots of damp earth, underbrush, pepper, iron, and tobacco leaf, it's full-bodied, loaded with fruit and texture, and has good tannin that comes through on the nish. These hedonistic beauties from this terrior always drink nicely in their youth, yet they surprise in the cellar well and have a lengthy drink window. In this case, I suspect this will be better in a year, and have 10-12 years or more of total longevity."

Vineyard

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

River Rock (100%): Owned and farmed by Dana Dibble, planted in 2001. The site is located south of Walla Walla in the old Walla Walla River bed; the soil is rocky and with great drainage. This is the warmest site in the Walla Walla Valley.

Vintage

The 2015 harvest was the warmest vintage in recorded history, with fantastic viticulture and a great extended harvest. Because of this, we were able to make some of the most incredible wines to date. The vintage was dry and long with an early bud break and late harvest that had cool evenings to guarantee incredible quality. The 2015 wines have big complex flavors, good acidity and great balance.

Blend

100% Syrah

Appellation

Walla Walla Valley

Production

Yield: 2.4 tons per acre
100% whole cluster pressed
Yeast: native
43 days on skins
30% new puncheons
20 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

5.9 g/L titratable acidity
3.75 pH
13.5% alcohol



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SUBSTANCE

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