



2015 K The Hidden Syrah

Power, depth and finesse define this blockbuster Syrah. Long on flavor....black cherry, graham cracker and crushed rock. It builds in intensity and delivers everything promised.

Current & Past Scores

100 Points, *Jeb Dunnuck (formerly of Robert Parker's Wine Advocate)*

"(made in concrete tanks, then aged in 50% new oak; a blend of four clones): Superripe aromas of black raspberry, smoked meat, lavender and leather. Compellingly sweet and silky, with its dark berry and garrigue flavors conveying superb concentration and savory complexity. The tannins spread out horizontally to saturate the tongue and front teeth. This beauty is still a baby but already shows excellent definition and a strong sweet/savory personality. (15% alcohol)."

96+ Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

"Inky and wild, the 2015 Syrah The Hidden Northridge Vineyard offers up a savory bouquet of grilled meat, licorice, blackberries, cherries and cracked black pepper. On the palate, it's full-bodied, ample and rich, with an authoritatively chewy chassis of fine-grained tannins and bright, succulent acids. There's a lot of fruit and power here but plenty of savory nuance to match it. This is even more massive than the Syrah Cattle King, but it's more nuanced too. Given the structure, it will need some time in the cellar, so forget it for 4 or 5 years and follow it for the next 15."

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

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

Wahluke Slope

Production

Yield: 1.8 tons per acre
100% whole cluster pressed
Yeast: native
41 days on skins
50% new French puncheons
20 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

5.1 g/L titratable acidity
3.95 pH
15.0% alcohol
No residual sugar

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