



## 2016 K The Hidden Syrah

Multi-layered Syrah from the ancient soils of Northridge vineyard. Super focused black cherry, plum and lavender run riot in the nose. The palatés not to be outdone with black molasses, velvet smoking jacket, wild mint, black crushed volcanic rock, silky tannins, vibrant energy and a persistence that continues the ridiculously long finish.

### Current & Past Scores

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

"Flirting with perfection, the 2016 Syrah The Hidden is a classic example of the old saying "an iron fist in a velvet glove." Beautiful notes of dark fruits, damp earth, iron, and crushed rocks as well as ground pepper all emerge from this full-bodied effort that has no hard edges, a terrific mid-palate, sweet tannins, and a finish that goes on for over a minute. It's a brilliant, brilliant Syrah and one of the wines of the vintage."

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

"The nose of the 2016 Syrah The Hidden Northridge Vineyard offers a round, open-knit and voluptuous expression of dark red and black fruit characteristics—dusty plum skin, blackberry jus and cherry compote—over a wet rock minerality and savory black spices with hints of sweet oak. Full-bodied, the palate is generous but still has a rigidity to the mid-palate, with a note of bitter espresso and gripping tannic backbone. Ending with a long, spicy finish, the wine is going to go the distance and live for decades if you can just forget about it in your cellar. It will be a lucky day if you add any of the 684-case production to your cellar."

### 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 2016 vintage started early and warm in Washington State. When summer arrived, the season saw cooler evenings that helped retain acidity, extended the growing and ripening period into September and October. This allowed the fruit to gain more complexity and deeper charm without sacrificing the acid or producing higher alcohol content. The vintage has created deeply rich and focused wines that we will be able to enjoy for a long time to come.

### Blend

100% Syrah

### Appellation

Wahluke Slope

### Production

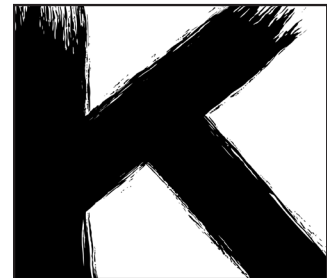
Yield: 2.4 tons per acre  
100% whole cluster pressed  
Yeast: native  
49 days on skins  
55% new French oak puncheons  
21 months barrel-aged on lees

### Wine Analysis

5.4 g/L titratable acidity  
3.78 pH  
14.5% alcohol  
No residual sugar

### UPC

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