

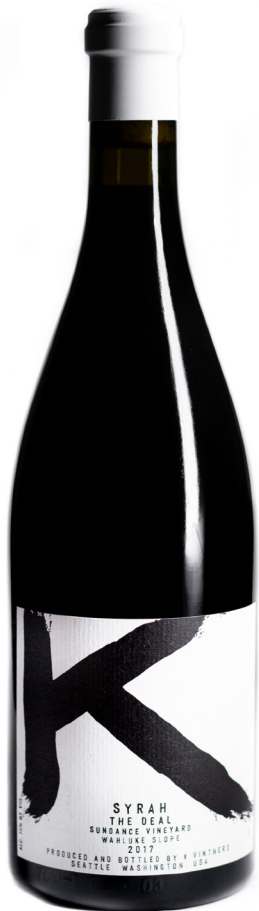
# K VINTNERS

## 2017 K THE DEAL SYRAH

### TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

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A floral aroma of black roses, cool sand and crushed gravel. A weight-defying wine that includes dark fruit, cured olives, tanned leather, molasses, 60's suede and a slap in the face with a bouquet of violets.



### VINTAGE NOTES

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2017 was a fantastic year for making wine with a cool spring and a fair amount of rain. Washington had an ideal spring for healthy vines. The moderate temperatures during summer were perfect for small clusters and yet delayed veraison into the fall where we had a consistent ripening season that allowed us to hang the fruit for perfect tannin and flavor without losing acidity or acquiring too much alcohol. Overall it was a vintage to remember.

### CURRENT & PAST SCORES

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#### **94 Points, James Suckling**

“This is very typical of an excellent syrah with sweet tobacco, berries, dried meat and spice. Medium to full body. Chocolate, spice and ripe-fruit flavors through to the finish. Vivid and rich.”

#### **94 Points, Jeb Dunnuck**

“Similarly colored, the 2017 Syrah The Deal comes from the Sundance Vineyard and gravelly, sandy, volcanic soils. It was not destemmed and was brought up in new puncheons. It's another ethereal, complex, yet powerful wine that has loads of black raspberry and blackberry fruits, smoked game, leafy herbs, and tobacco aromas and flavors. Medium to full-bodied and just seamless on the palate, it's going to evolve for 10-15 years.”

### WINEMAKING

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**Varietal Breakdown:** 100% Syrah

**Appellation:** Wahluke Slope

**Vineyard(s):** Sundance Vineyard (100%)

**Production:** 2.5 tons per acre | Native yeast | 100% whole cluster fermentation | 47 days on skins | 37% new French oak puncheons | 20 months barrel-aged on lees

**Wine Analysis:** 5.6 g/L titratable acidity | 3.98 pH | 15.0% alcohol | No residual sugar

**UPC:** 184745100048



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