

2019 K ART DEN HOED VIOGNIER

TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

With an impression of richness, without being rich. Orange blossom, lemon zest, honey suckle abound in a focused aroma and palate that continues to deliver with layered complexity and sheer unadulterated pleasure!



VINTAGE NOTES

The 2019 vintage was on the cooler side as it started slow with later-than-usual bud break and continued on to be fairly moderate throughout the year. Some vineyards had issues with an October freeze a bit earlier than usual, but our high-elevation vineyards have great air drainage which allows us to extend the growing season late into October without freeze. This yielded fantastic ripening and some awesome wines with incredible balance and character. Overall, we are excited about the wine produced in 2019, which has brought us more finesse, incredible flavors and lovely balance.

CURRENT & PAST SCORES

93 Points, Jeb Dunnuck

"Washington makes a bevy of terrific Viognier, and one of the best is the 2019 Viognier Art Den Hoed Vineyard from Smith. Revealing a light gold hue as well as a classic nose of white peach, orange blossom, white flowers, and a touch of honeyed almonds, it hits the palate with medium-bodied richness, nicely integrated acidity, and plenty of classic Viognier richness and complexity. Enjoy bottles over the coming 2-3 years."

92 Points, James Suckling

"Sliced-pineapple, vanilla and light honey character. It's full-bodied with a firm line of acidity running through the center palate. Tight and focused. Round texture with nice phenolic tension. Drink now."

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Varietal Breakdown: 100% Viognier

Appellation: Yakima Valley

Vineyard(s): Art Den Hoed (100%)

Production: 2.9 tons per acre | Native yeast | 100% whole cluster pressed | 50% concrete & 50%

neutral barrels | 4 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis: 5.4 g/L titratable acidity | 3.54 pH | 14.5% alcohol | No residual sugar

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