



2019 K POWERLINE VIOGNIER

TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

Beautifully perfumed honeysuckle, apricot, white peach, wisteria and a note that I don't have a word for. Complex as hell, following with terrific elegance and a satisfying experience!



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 SCORES

95 Points, *James Suckling*

"A charming nose of honeysuckle, baked lemon and fresh flowers. Medium-bodied with real presence and depth. Smooth texture with very well-balanced acidity. Subtle, refreshing tannins at the finish. A lovely viognier. Drink or hold."

94 Points, *Jeb Dunnock*

"...comes close to rivaling a Condrieu with its beautiful perfume of honeyed citrus, lemon, white flowers, crushed stone, and toasty aromas and flavors. Rich, medium to full-bodied, and incredibly textured, it packs serious richness while staying lively and fresh, which is no easy feat. Count me impressed. It's gorgeous today, and while it remains to be seen how this evolves ... one of the finest expressions of Viognier I've tasted outside of France."

93 Points, *Vinous—Owen Bargreen*

"...offering honey, lychee and shades of star jasmine. The palate is plush and soft, delivering plenty of focus and salty undertones. Complex and delicious..."

VINEYARD

Powerline Estate Vineyard (100%)

Charles planted the 38-acre estate vineyard in the heart of the Walla Walla Valley, located over 1200 feet elevation. The soils are well-drained with cobblestone river rocks and underlying layers of sand and gravel deposits, allowing vines to develop very deep and strong roots. The deep sand and silt below the stones bring a great purity to the grapes, while high elevations keep acids high, producing very well-balanced wines with remarkable complex characters.

WINEMAKING

Varietal Breakdown: 100% Viognier

Appellation: Walla Walla Valley

Production: 2.8 tons per acre, native yeast, 100% whole cluster pressed | 15% new French oak Demi-Muids, 16 months barrel-aged on lees | 365 cases

Wine Analysis: 5.3 g/L titratable acidity, 3.68 pH, 14% alcohol, no residual sugar

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