

2014 Syrah Griffin's Lair Vineyard Sonoma Coast

This is our 13th vintage in a row of Syrah from this singular site on the Sonoma Coast. These coarse sandy soils give this wine depth & concentration while the cold windy site gives the wine freshness and creates incredibly low yields that make this the darkest most dense Syrah in our line-up. These vines have balanced themselves out and hardly demand any inputs in regards to crop load, whereas when these vines were young they required allot of thinning. Tasters yearning for some old school Pax Wines should go long on this beauty.

100% Syrah
100% Griffins Lair Vineyard
100% Whole-Cluster
Native Yeasts & Bacteria
Organically farmed
Aged for 16 months in Neutral French Oak Barrels
3.89 pH
13.9% Alc By Vol

Tasting Note:

Squid Ink, concentrated black fruit, sea air, tar, cocoa and black pepper, complete the brilliant aromas of this beast of a Syrah. A bit more of a bruiser than the 2013, this 2014 wants no needs to be consumed with a fatty piece of meat. This is extract of Syrah, Syrah distilled down to its most intense... There is no hiding behind flashy new oak or additions. This is just small-berried Syrah in a low yielding vintage. This is essence of Syrah.

93 pts (Vinous, Antonio Galloni, Jan. 2017)