



2014 Syrah
The Hermit
Sonoma County

Two old friends joined the party, we are thrilled to add the old-vine Syrah of Walker Vine Hill & the aromatic cool-climate Kobler Family Vineyard Syrah to this years blend. We named this wine The Hermit after the reclusive wanderer who made the hill of Hermitage in the Northern Rhone Valley his home and lent it his nickname upon settling there. Hermitage is famous for the blending of Syrah components from distinctly different lieu dits, to create a powerfully balanced wine thats sum is greater than the whole of its parts.

100% Syrah

10% Castelli-Knight Ranch

10% Alder Springs Vineyard

15% Griffin's Lair Vineyard

25% Walker Vine Hill Vineyard

40% Kobler Family Vineyard

100% Whole Cluster Fermented

All vineyards sustainably or organically farmed

Aged in neutral French Oak Barrels for 18 months

Tasting Note:

Dark cassis and black pepper dominate this classic expression of Syrah. The 2014 is darker and more concentrated than previous releases and carries the classic spice, white & pink pepper and olive aromas that you expect, along with a fresh pop of blue fruit. Easy drinking with very smooth tannins this is will be a great go to bottle of Syrah on release.

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