



2015 Syrah
Griffin's Lair Vineyard
Sonoma Coast

This is our 14th vintage in a row from this site. 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 alot of thinning. Tasters yearning for some old school Pax Wines should go long on this beauty.

100% Syrah
100% Griffins Lair Vineyard, Sonoma Coast
100% Whole-Cluster
100% Crushed by foot
11-month elevage in 500L French Oak Puncheons
0% New Oak
13.2% ABV
3.8pH

Tasting Note:

Black fruit, iodine, tar and a floral display of violets and white flowers frame this exotic Syrah. The palate weight is huge but lifted by the cool breezes that keep the acidity naturally high in this coastal vineyard. Iodine and salt air components ground the wine in coastal California, but the leather, tar and violets hint at a different landscape across the Atlantic. A wine that drinks very young and probably will for another 5+ years, drink one this spring with some lamb and squirrel the rest away for another occasion down the road.