



## 2018 Syrah Sonoma Hillsides

Inspired by the flamboyant wines of St Joseph, this 100% Syrah is becoming a reference point of its own for Syrah. Just like in St Joseph, we pulled this blend together from multiple sites and utilized the most interesting expositions of these meticulously cared for vineyards. Hillsides that show the freshness and vibrancy that Syrah can only achieve on cool-climate slopes. Blended early in 2019 into a single cubic concrete vat, this wine is the epitome of finesse, style and deliciousness. This wine eschews the standard run-of-the-mill Syrah density, creaminess and extraction that many people wrongly confuse with quality. This beauty is intense but not at the sake of losing its sense of place or varietal character, this is what the greatest Syrahs in the world are supposed to taste like... and do.

100% Syrah

100% Whole-Cluster

Castelli-Knight Ranch, Russian River

Griffins Lair Vineyard, Sonoma Coast

Nellessen Vineyard, Sonoma Coast

12.9% Alc By Vol

3.8pH

Tasting Note:

Vivid violet hues sparkle in the reflections of this brilliant wine. Aromatically perfect in terms of pure Syrah distinction and purity with all that black pepper, violet and roasted plum. You won't find any new oak aromas or flavors, just mineral laced fruit, spice and earth harmonizing into a pleasing Syrah elixir. Supple and seamless with teases of chocolate covered cherries, violet candy, coastal forest air, brown figs and ripe plum pie. We drink this wine often and when we do, we serve it at 55 degrees, especially in the summer. You should make an effort to do both of these things as well.