

2019 HOMMAGE A STEVAN LARNER

I pay tribute to the past with this classic Syrah/Grenache blend, which I first produced in 2006. Stevan and I shared an obsession with Grenache, and this wine has always been my tribute to him.

VINIFICATION

Grenache and Syrah were de-stemmed, fermented and aged separately in small, open-top bins, 20 days on skins, with a combination of pump-overs and punch-downs during cold-soak and fermentation. Components aged 20 months, Grenache in neutral 500-liter puncheon, Syrah in 265-liter barrique, 35% new.

TASTING NOTES

Notes of violet, preserved plums, toasted Chinese 5 spice, raspberry-rhubarb pie, Ethiopian coffee, and sweet white pepper. There is a pleasure-filled satin texture, rich midpalate, with an opulent juicy finish

VARIETALS:

68% Syrah, 32% Grenache

APPELLATION:

Ballard Canyon

VINEYARDS:

Larner

RATINGS:

97, Wine Enthusiast

ALCOHOL CONTENT:

15.2%

CASES PRODUCED:

164

AGING POTENTIAL:

Present - 2032

RETAIL PRICE:

\$65

TASTING NOTES BY MCPRICE MYERS WINEMAKER AND OWNER

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