





SILVER MEDAL 2014 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition

WINEMAKER NOTES

Syrah is a classic variety of France's Rhône region, and may have been brought to Rhône River area as early as 600 B.C. Its actual origin is subject to some speculation, nevertheless it has produced some very famous wines. As in the Rhône region in France, the dynamic weather of Lake County (cold winters and hot summers) gives us the intensity and complexity for which Syrah is known. As this wine has aged, it provides a very creamy and full-bodied texture, which is enjoyable on its own or with a meal. Its roundness lends itself well to a broad spectrum of cuisines.

COMPOSITION Syrah

VINEYARD Cache Creek Vineyards

APPELLATION Lake County

ALCOHOL 13.9%

TA 0.65g/100ml

рн 3.65

COOPERAGE 100% French oak barrels

BARREL AGING 22 months PRODUCTION 363 cases

TASTING NOTES

Dark tones of plum and brambly berry aromas are laced with hints of kid-glove leather, tobacco, and smoked meat. The silken entry flows into a mid-palate of bright acidity with layers of dried cherry, pomegranate, mocha, and a touch of vanilla. The finish is wrapped with rich oak notes that linger with the fruit.

A great wine to pair with smoked brisket, or barbecued dry-rubbed chicken.