



Vineyards

Coyote Canyon Vineyard/ Horse Heaven Hills AVA/ Syrah Phelps	85%
Sugarloaf Vineyard/ Rattlesnake Hills AVA/ Syrah Phelps Clone	11%
Vineheart Vineyard/ Columbia Valley AVA/ Viognier	4%

Tasting Notes

Dark red in color with aromas of tart cherries, blueberries and subtle white flower notes. Earthy dark berry and chocolate flavors lead to a subtle wood smoke element and medium strong tannins that lend character and endurance. The dominant Syrah component hails from the very warm Coyote Canyon vineyard site in a year that was cooler than most across much of the Washington wine growing region.

Technical Notes

Blend: 96% Syrah 4% Viognier

Harvest Dates: September 27 2008

Harvest Chemistry Avg: Brix: 25.5 Total Acidity Avg: 5.6 g/L pH: 3.60

Vinification

The Syrah and Viognier were crushed and destemmed together to open top 1 ton fermenters, cold soaked for 2-4 days, followed by inoculated fermentation with a selected Rhone yeast. Manual pigeage (punch downs) 3-4 times daily and pressed to tank near dryness. Racked to barrel for malolactic fermentation (MLF) and again post MLF. Elevage in barrel was completed over 18 months on 25% new French Oak, with the remainder neutral, 3-4 year old French oak. No additional rackings were done until final blending. Bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

Wine Chemistry: Alc v/v: 14.8% Ph: 3.82 Total Acidity: 5.9 g/L FSO2: 39ppm

Bottled: May 10, 2010

Cases: 100

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