

2015

TASTING NOTES

SYRAH

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In 2006, we *planted* three quarters of an acre of SYRAH. Partly, *we liked that* it is THOUGHT BY SOME that the *ANCIENT ROMANS* planted this grape in VIENNE, now known as *Cote Rotie*. Partly we *DID SO BECAUSE*, when SYRAH is good, IT IS VERY, VERY GOOD.

Rich and vibrant, bursting with BLUE FRUITS and *reflective* of the ground it comes from, *Syrab's* appeal quickly grew on us.

Our Syrah is truly *hand-crafted* in TINY BATCHES, and our non-interventionist methodology has been *steadily evolving* since we made the first OVID SYRAH in 2009. We fully *DESTEMMED* the miniscule quantity of 2015 fruit into a TINY open top tank. Following *spontaneous fermentation*, it was aged in three BURGUNDIAN FRENCH oak barrels without *RACKING* until bottling in June 2017.

The 2015 *Ovid Syrah* is opaque in APPEARANCE. Aromas of jasmine, vanilla bean, black cherry, blueberry, fresh violets, *rose petal*, wet stone, coffee bean and forest floor *envelop* you. There is compelling *RICHNESS* and TENSION within this wine that should play out *beautifully* for years to come.



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