



## 2013 EL JEFE TEMPRANILLO

*Spanish it is. Roasted tomato, blood sausage, and oh so savory. Depth and complexity rule the day, as does Stoneridge Vineyard, the home of El Jefe.*

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### BLEND

100% Tempranillo

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### APPELLATION

Wahluke Slope

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### PRODUCTION

Yield: 2.7 Tons per Acre

Yeast: Native

43 Days on Skins

60% New French Oak

22 Months Barrel-Aged

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### WINE ANALYSIS

5.4 g/L Titratable Acidity

3.97 pH

14.5% Alcohol

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### UPC

184745300059

### CURRENT & PAST SCORES

#### 94 Points, Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate

"The 100% varietal 2013 El Jefe Tempranillo Stoneridge Vineyard (23 months in 40% new oak) is another terrific example of this variety in Washington, and while there's not many Tempranillo based releases out there, the ones that are, are seriously good. This 2013 gives up lots of darker fruits (black currants maybe), lots of spicy oak, toasted spice and licorice to go with a full bodied, elegant, sexy profile on the palate. It continues to open up with time in the glass, and the tannin, while present, are incredibly polished and perfectly ripe. Feel free to drink bottles anytime over the coming decade.."

### VINEYARD

The vineyards we work with are farmed using the most up to date sustainable practices.

**Stoneridge:** Alluvial fan gravel bed, the site rests above the flood plain of the Columbia River. Under the topsoil is a layer of caliche and basalt 6-12" deep, creating a calcium and iron rich media that forces roots to struggle.

### VINTAGE

The warmest vintage since 2003 cooled off just in time for harvest. The resulting wines were less likely to tip over into overripe favors or high alcohol levels, and picking proceeded at a normal pace. Total tonnage was up about 5 percent over 2012, a record for the state. 2013 made us thank Sweet Baby Jesus that our white wine vineyards are cool sites at higher elevation. The very warm vintage cooled down in mid-September allowing us to pick at the perfect moment in the first week of October. This gave us generous full favored wine while still keeping focus.



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