



2013 K KLEIN SYRAH

Basalt, baking spices, liquid smoke, intense raspberry and graphite. If that is not enough, silky rich on the palette. A very rare Syrah.

BLEND

100% Syrah

APPELLATION

Walla Walla Valley

PRODUCTION

Yield: 1.5 Tons per Acre
100% Whole Cluster
Yeast: Native
45 Days on Skins
75% New Oak
22 Months Barrel-Aged on Lees with
Puncheons

WINE ANALYSIS

0.60 g/100mL Titratable Acidity
3.95 pH
14.5% Alcohol

CURRENT & PAST SCORES

97 Points, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

"The 2013 Syrah Klein got a big "wow" in the notes and from a difficult vintage for Syrah, it's an incredible blockbuster, full-bodied beauty that readers should beg, borrow or steal to get a hold of. Giving up layers of kirsch, blackberries, graphite, lavender and dried earth, this puppy hits the palate with full-bodied richness, a layered, silky texture and fine tannin that keeps the finish going. I love it. Give bottles 2-3 years of cellaring and enjoy through 2028+."

98 Points, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (v2012)

"A wine that will flirt with perfection in another couple years, the 2012 Klein Syrah comes from Walla Walla, and like all of the Syrahs here, was fermented with 100% whole clusters. White pepper, smoked meats, violets and both red and black fruits all soar from this beauty, and on the palate, it's full-bodied, thrillingly concentrated and perfectly balanced. While a big wine, it's the purity of fruit that sets this apart. Give it a year or two and drink over the following decade."

VINEYARD

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

Klein Vineyard: This vineyard is located at the Southwestern end of the Walla Walla Valley. It's volcanic rock, with thin, wind-blown loess over basalt. The high elevation, 850 feet, means it doesn't freeze and is a fairly windy site. This vineyard produces low yields and powerful, unique wines.

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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