

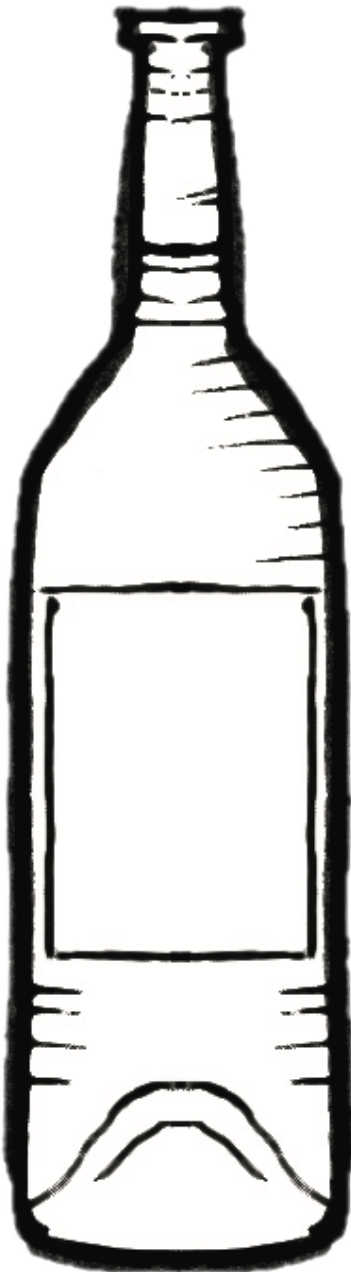


## 2019 Reserve Syrah

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**Harvest Dates:** October 11th - 12th, 2019 | **Alcohol label %:** 14.3 | **pH:** 3.87

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### **Growing Conditions**

White Hawk Vineyard – Los Alamos - This was our first chance to work with the incredible fruit from the famed block 6 at the top of the sand dune that is White Hawk Vineyard in Los Alamos and couldn't be more thrilled with the result.

### **Winemaking**

this Syrah was 100% destemmed and fermented in small, 1-ton open-top fermenters. These fermentations were punched down 2-3X per day for 21 days prior to being pressed in a small, 12hL basket press.

### **Aging**

This wine was aged in one new French oak puncheon and three once used barriques for 20 months prior to racking and bottling.

### **Nose**

The wine is an explosion of red fruit on the nose, where subtle hints of violets and intense notes of pepper can also be detected.

### **Palate**

This wine, for laying down, is instantly seductive due to the power of its tannins and later, due to its smooth and velvety texture. There is purity of fruit here with its brightness and its spice-saturated red character. And, although the tannins are less ferocious, there is still a tensile structure on display that bodes well for its development in bottle.