



2013

Lily Hill Estate

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syrah

winemaker notes

VARIETY: 91% syrah, 9% grenache
APPELLATION: Dry Creek Valley
DEGREES BRIX AT HARVEST: 26.9
P.H: 3.78
ALCOHOL: 14.7%
CELLAR RECOMMENDATION: Enjoy this wine through 2028

VINIFICATION NOTES: This complex and appealing syrah is a blend of 83% Block 19 syrah, 8% Block 1 syrah and 9% grenache—all from our acclaimed Lily Hill Estate. Twice-daily pump-overs were performed during active fermentation, and the wine was left on the skins for a three-week extended maceration. Aging was done in a combination of French, Hungarian and American oak barrels, with 20% new oak overall.

VINEYARD NOTES: Lily Hill Vineyard has become synonymous with wines of elegance and substance. From the first plantings in 1915 to the blocks planted in 2001 and 2003, this majestic hillside vineyard benefits from cooler nights and warmer days.

SENSORY NOTES: This gorgeous expression of Dry Creek Valley syrah displays a deep and alluring nose of dark fruit, savory meat, chocolate, mocha and toasted oak. Bold and luxurious on the palate, it offers flavors of plum, blueberry, white pepper, and a hint of bacon, all supported by age-worthy tannins that carry the wine to a long, complex finish. Though given additional aging in bottle, this hasn't lost any of its glorious fruit and is drinking beautifully now, with years still to go.

VINEYARD DETAILS:

CLONE:	Syrah Noir, Clone 363, Clone 174 and Estrella	SOIL TYPE:	Hillside clay	ELEVATION:	600 feet
VINE SPACING:	6x8	YIELD PER ACRE:	2.5 tons	ROOTSTOCK:	110R, 420A, 101-14
YEAR PLANTED:	2001 and 2003	TRELLISING STYLE:	VSP	IRRIGATION:	Drip
CASES PRODUCED:	300 cases				

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