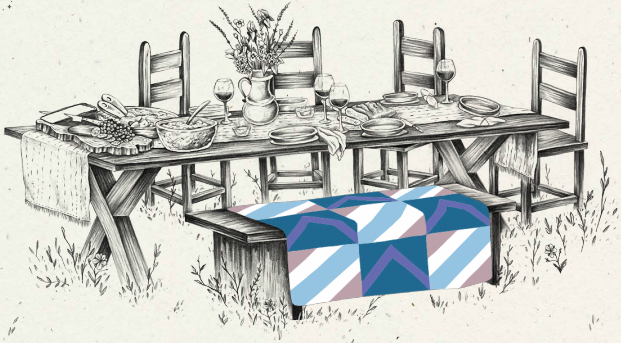


# CANAS FEAST



2015

## SYRAH

COLUMBIA VALLEY AVA

### **TECHNICAL NOTES**

**AVA:** Columbia Valley

**HARVEST:** September 8th - 18th

**COOPERAGE:** 22 months in 25%  
new oak barrique  
(17% American, 8% French)

**pH:** 3.87

**ALCOHOL:** 14.2%

**PRODUCTION:** 295 cases

**BOTTLED:** August 2017

**AGING:** Now through 2023

**SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE:** \$32

### **FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS**

Pair with Braised Chicken with Mole, Game Hen with Huckleberry Sauce, Chocolate Covered Bacon, Finely Aged Sheep's Milk Cheeses, and Brisket.



### **VINEYARD NOTES**

Destiny Ridge (75%)  
*Horse Heaven Hills AVA*

Slide Mountain (25%)  
*Yakima AVA*

### **COMPOSITION**

Syrah (97%)  
Viognier (3%)

### **VINTAGE TRENDS**

EARLY, HOT, DRY.

The 2015 growing season was another record year for many categories: Higher highs, higher lows, more heat spikes and less winter rainfall. Furthermore, bud break, bloom, and véraison were the earliest noted in several decades. These conditions led to heat/drought stress for most of the west coast, challenging many growers throughout the region. However, higher yields helped mitigate the natural production of higher sugars and lower acids, resulting in beautifully balanced wines that will require little-to-no cellaring.

### **WINEMAKER NOTES**

Dark, brooding, and often a touch 'meaty' (from its naturally reductive tendencies) when fermented on its own, Syrah's sometimes dour demeanor gains advantage from the addition of cheerful and perfumey Viognier. Borrowing from the example of growers in the Côte Rôtie (of the Northern Rhône region in France), we co-ferment these two grapes together so that our Syrah enjoys a degree of levity - a distinct characteristic for which this celebrated style is known.

### **TASTING NOTES**

Deeply scented aromas of wild mountain huckleberries and chocolate are framed with meaty nuances and hints of eucalyptus. Gushing flavors of blueberry, boysenberry, and huckleberry dominate with hints of char and sweet spice, while the silky soft entry and bright mid-palate balloon to a weighty full finish.



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