

Mark Ryan

WINERY

WILD EYED

Syrah | Red Mountain | 2018

Winemaking Notes

Quintessence and Angela's vineyard provide the fruit for the 2018 Wild Eyed syrah. The combination of four premium syrah clones give us wonderful blending tools in the cellar. Clone 383 offers dark, brooding aromatics and flavors, while Clone 174 brings expansive primary fruits and sweet spice. Clone 877 bridges the gap between clone 383 and clone 174, with beautiful layers of sweet fruit and a dark, savory core. The Phelps clone ties the wine together with its amazing purity and intense profile. Our goal with the Wild Eyed is to offer a glimpse of warmer climate Washington syrah. The wine is specifically aged in thick staved 500-liter French oak barrels. We find these larger volume barrels help create a wine that has a great purity of fruit with improved textural qualities. The fruit was hand harvested between September 6th and September 30th, 2018. The wine was fermented in 1.5, 2 and 5 ton open top fermenters for 7-10 days. Great care is taken in the cellar to handle the must gently; it is never pumped and is gently punched down twice a day. The wine is lightly pressed to barrel where it finishes primary and secondary fermentation and is aged for 18 months in 20% new, 500-liter French oak barrels. The wine was racked twice and left un-fined prior to bottling.

Past Accolades

2017 - (92-94) *Jeb Dunnuck*, 91+ *Tanzer*

2016 - 90 *Wine Spectator*, 92 *Jeb Dunnuck*,
91 *Wine Advocate*

2015 - 94 *Wine Advocate*, 91 *Wine Enthusiast*,
93 *Jeb Dunnuck*

BLEND

100% Syrah

BARREL

20% 27MM 500L
French Puncheon
18 months in barrel

PRODUCTION

800 cases

HARVESTED

September 6-20, 2018

APPELLATION

Red Mountain

VINEYARDS

Quintessence
Angela's

Founded in 1999 by Mark Ryan McNeilly, **MARK RYAN WINERY** is a small winery located in Woodinville, Washington. Our goal is to produce handcrafted wines that represent the vineyard from which they come, the character of the varietal, and our style. From the vineyards to the winery, our uncompromising commitment to quality and our passion to produce the best wines possible, inspire us to make these wines for you.



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