BECKMEN VINEYARDS

2022 Syrah

100% Syrah *Certified Biodynamic*Ballard Canyon AVA

Purisima Mountain Vineyard Syrah All of our Syrah is now grown on the Purisima Mountain Vineyard in the Ballard Canyon AVA, the first California AVA dedicated to producing world class Syrah. Syrah grown in Ballard Canyon is a great mix of warm climate Syrah fruit and cool climate Syrah elegance and complexity. This all-Vineyard blend encompasses 7 different Syrah blocks on PMV from the bottom of the hillside to the top of the rim of the canyon and is a great representation of Syrah and more specifically Ballard Canyon Syrah.

The Vintage

The 2022 season was defined by a few major events that shaped the quality and quantity of the vintage. The lack of rainfall and strong winds during bloom set the stage for a smaller than average crop. The middle of the season was uneventful until we were hit by a long heatwave in the first half of September. We harvested like crazy during this period and shortly after, and picked all whites, some rosé, and some young blocks of Syrah. The vines shut down for a bit as the weather cooled and normalized, so we waited until the second week of October to harvest the remaining blocks, finishing in the first week of November. As is the case with a small crop, the quality is high but yields were down 35% overall, so we will be bottling much less of the 2022 vintage than the previous several vintages.

Technical Notes

Purisima Mountain Vineyard Harvested: Sept 14 - October 20

Alcohol: 14.7% Case Production: 850

Winemaking

Clusters were hand-sorted, destemmed then cold-soaked for 2-3 days

Fermented for 10-14 days with native yeast

Punched down by hand twice daily

20 Months aging:

37% New French oak (Remond, Mercurey and Marcel Cadet)

63% Neutral oak

Sales

Released: February 2025 Drinking Window: 2025 – 2040

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