

Aurora

ARTIST SERIES 2015

Blend:

52% Syrah
29% Cabernet Sauvignon
19% Cabernet Franc

Alcohol: 14.6% abv **TA:** 5.85g/L **pH:** 3.83

Case Production: 560 cases

Date Bottled: 5/9/17

Grape Source(s):

Syrah: Pace Vineyard, Yakima Valley AVA, WA
Cabernet Sauvignon: Shaw Vineyard, Red Mountain AVA, WA
Cabernet Franc: Six Prong Vineyard, Horse Heaven Hills AVA, WA

Aging: 18 months in barrel

52% New American - Pennsylvania, 17% New French/American blended, 26% New French, 5% Neutral

Winemaker Notes: The 2015 vintage in Washington state was the hottest to date, yet mild conditions near harvest left us with wines that exhibited both power and elegance. Inspired by some of Australia's most famous blends, we combined soft, lush Syrah with firmly structured Cabernet Sauvignon and aromatic Cabernet Franc. This dark, deep wine was aged in American oak barrels for rich tannins and structure, French barrels for enticing vanilla, and special hybrid barrels with alternating French and American oak staves for hints of clove and spice.

Tasting Notes: Drinking beautifully with integrated notes of cherry, rich raspberry, and spiced chocolate.

Awards:

Best Cabernet/Syrah Blend, Double Gold (98 Points) - 2019 San Francisco International Wine Competition
Double Platinum - 2019 Winepress Northwest Platinum Awards
Gold - 2019 Critic's Challenge (93 Points)
Gold - 2019 Cascadia Wine Competition
Gold - 2019 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition
Gold - 2018 Vinalies Internationales Paris
2018 Tasting Panel Magazine Publisher's Picks (91 Points)

Pairing Suggestions:

- Grilled sausage with roasted vegetables
- Lamb
- Venison
- Rib-eye steak with maitre d' butter
- Flavorful cheeses

Price: \$32.00

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