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2019 SYRAH, HYDE VINEYARD

APPELLATION Carneros

VINIFICATION 20 months 38% new French oak 80% whole cluster

CLONES 100% Syrah Noir

ALCOHOL 14.4%

SCORES

94 points, James Suckling 93 points, Jeb Dunnuck 93 points, Owen Bargreen

Hailing from an older planting at Hyde vineyard, this Syrah Noir block is situated on a gentle hillside in the windy Carneros AVA. Picked within the first few days October, the 2019 does a terrific job of showing the typicity of the site which is hallmarked by higher-toned fruit with more savory notes of prosciutto and bacon fat—characteristics we love in Syrah.

Enjoying the whole-cluster influences of the 2018, the 2019 was fermented separately as two lots of 50% whole cluster and 100% whole cluster, a combined equivalent of 80% whole cluster.

Violets and blackberry drive this beautiful wine's aromatics. Flavors of dark fruit with layers of complexity balances the naturally higher acid of the site, with weight and texture producing a very alluring wine.