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## 2021 SYRAH HYDE VINEYARD

APPELLATION Carneros

VINIFICATION 20 months 33% new French oak 100% whole cluster

ALCOHOL 14.4%

COOPERAGE: Ermitage

In the realm of exceptional concentration, this Syrah emerges as a dark and hedonistic masterpiece. The vintage reflects the vineyard's response to below-average rainfall and drought, resulting in remarkably small canopies and fruit per vine—a testament to the impact of reduced yields on an already dense wine.

Fermented entirely with native yeasts and utilizing 100% whole clusters, the wine has deep aromas of grenadine, black currants, and prosciutto intertwine on the nose, epitomizing the interplay between intensely concentrated fruit and the wild allure of whole-cluster fermentation—a quality the French aptly term "Sauvage."

On the palate, finely woven tannins envelop the wine, crafting a seductive and age-worthy elixir. With only 3 barrels produced, this Syrah is a rare gem—a must-have addition to any Rhône enthusiast's collection. While resisting the urge to savor this wine may prove challenging, a well-marbled piece of beef offers a fitting complement to its allure.