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2021 SYRAH, RICHARDS VINEYARD

APPELLATION Sonoma Valley

AGING 20 months 43% new French oak 80% whole cluster

CLONES Clone 174 Estrella River Clone 877

ALCOHOL 14.6%

COOPERAGE Ermitage, Darnajou

One of the most captivating vineyards in Northern California and a personal favorite of our winemaker, the Richards Vineyard thrived during the warmer, drier growing season of 2021.

Harvested in the first week of October—two weeks later than 2020 and three weeks later than 2019—the extra time on the vine has resulted in an impressively aromatic Syrah. The wine reveals enticing notes of lavender, sage, and olive tapenade, with additional hints of blue fruits and Asian plum sauce emerging as it breathes. This complex Syrah deftly balances savory and fruity elements, creating a compelling profile.

On the palate, this vintage is nothing short of a blockbuster. It offers remarkable density, chiseled tannins, and a long, resonant finish. This robust expression of Syrah promises to evolve beautifully over the next 15 to 20 years. For optimal enjoyment in its youth, decanting is recommended.