

QWAM QWMT

# **SYRAH**

2015

VQA OKANAGAN VALLEY

## HARVEST REPORT

We experienced a very mild winter which led to an early spring budbreak, and flowering beginning in the third week of May. Harvest began on September 9 th and by the end of the month we were 60% through harvest – in 2011 we had yet to begin picking. Harvest was complete in mid-October, taking in over 260 tons of fruit – our largest harvest on record. An exceptional year resulting in outstanding wines to showcase in 2016 and beyond.

## WINEMAKING

Harvested from two separate blocks on October 14th, the grapes were fermented separately and aged in predominately French oak barrels for 18 months. 100% Syrah

## **TASTING NOTES**

Spicy aromas along with black pepper and cherry, with multi-layered flavours of berries and pepper. The wine has a soft entry with smooth tannins and features a good acid backbone which contributes to the length of the finish.

#### **FOOD PAIRING**

Herb-crusted lamb, smoked duck breast, braised beef short ribs, or barbecued rib-eye steaks. Grilled meats and caramelized vegetables are ideal for matching the intensity of our bold Syrah.



#### TECHNICAL NOTES

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