

# Mark Ryan

W I N E R Y

## LOST SOUL

*Syrah | Yakima Valley | 2013*



### *Winemaking Notes*

This wine is a single vineyard representation of Red Willow syrah. While the Wild Eyed represents the warmer climate side of syrah, the Lost Soul embodies the cooler climate. The Wild Eyed is full of luscious fruit aromatics where the Lost Soul presents the darker more savory side of syrah. We take a very hands-off approach with this wine, striving to protect the unique qualities of Red Willow vineyard. Similar to the Wild Eyed, the wine is aged in thick staved 500L French oak barrels. Exacting care is taken in the cellar to handle the must gently; it is never pumped and is gently punched down twice a day. The fruit was hand harvested on September 9th 2013. The wine was fermented in 1.5 and 2 ton open top fermentors for 9-12 days. Fermentation rounds are done twice daily to track the progress of the fermentation and alert the winemaking team as to when the wine is ready to be pressed. The wine is lightly pressed to barrel where it finishes primary and malolactic fermentation and is aged for 18 months in 40% new, 500 liter French oak barrels. The wine was racked twice and left unfined prior to bottling in April of 2015.

### *Tasting Notes*

The 2013 Lost Soul is inky black from the center to the edge of the glass. Black cherry and raspberry erupt from the glass followed by delicate notes of lavender and hints of spice. As the wine opens up, dark aromas of black olive and cured meat are layered between wet tobacco and fresh thyme. The palate begins softly with flavors of fresh blackberry and anise then transitions into lavender, violets and mocha. The texture is elegant and refined.

### **BLEND**

100% Syrah

### **BARREL**

40% New 500L French  
Puncheon  
60% Second Fill and Neutral  
French Puncheon

### **PRODUCTION**

350 Cases

### **RELEASE**

October 3rd, 2015

### **APPELLATION**

Yakima Valley

### **VINEYARDS**

Red Willow Vineyard

"The team of Mark Ryan McNeilly and Mike MacMorran continue to step up their game and produce some of the most impressive wines in the state. The style here falls mostly in the classic, structured and age-worthy category, yet they don't skimp on fruit or texture either. If you're looking for classic Washington State Rhone and Bordeaux blends, don't miss these guys."

— Jeb Dunnuck,  
*The Wine Advocate*

Founded in 1999 by Mark Ryan McNeilly, **MARK RYAN WINERY** is a small winery located in Woodinville, Washington. Our goal is to produce handcrafted wines that represent the vineyard from which they come, the character of the varietal, and our style. From the vineyards to the winery, our uncompromising commitment to quality and our passion to produce the best wines possible, inspire us to make these wines for you.

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