2018 DUMOL WILD MOUNTAINSIDE SYRAH

Pleasure-driven with concentration, richness and voluptuous texture.





IMPRESSIONS

For some wines, there's no need to overthink or analyze too much; we can just sit back and admire their sheer deliciousness. This is one such pleasure-driven wine! The most hedonistic of our entire 2018 line-up, this new vintage of Wild Mountainside is really quite something. Packed full of sweet ripe blackberry and boysenberry fruits; gentle spice and herb nuances; rich, broad texture and round enveloping tannins, it's got it all.

The wine was grown in our three classic steep hillside vineyards, each one offering something unique to the blend. Timbervine is complex, gamey and wildly aromatic; Greywacke brims with pure cassis fruit and broad texture; and our Estate is bluefruited, supple and bright. The combination is greater than the sum of its parts, the essence of blending. There's a seamlessness, a togetherness to the wine that is very hard to achieve.

Aromatic fireworks—blackberry jam, black pepper, pine needle, tapenade and briar patch—are deep, inky and intense. The wine is immediately fruit-forward on the palate with obvious concentration, richness and voluptuous texture. Cassis and boysenberry fruits precede game and rosemary tones. Great breadth across the palate is weighty and layered, while chewy cocoa powder tannins bring balance and focus.

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ANDY SMITH
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VINEYARD & WINEMAKING DETAILS

APPELLATION	RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
VINEYARDS	41% TIMBERVINE, 37% GREYWACKE & 21% DUMOL ESTATE
CLONES	SYRAH NOIR, ALBAN & DURRELL
VINE AGE	13-28 YEARS
HARVEST DATES	HAND HARVESTED SEPTEMBER 22^{ND} THROUGH OCTOBER 19^{TH}
BARREL AGING	AGED 15 MONTHS IN 28% NEW FRENCH OAK HOGSHEADS FROM TONNELLERIE ERMITAGE.
ALCOHOL	14.3%
PRODUCTION	500 CASES OF 750ML