

Mark Ryan

W I N E R Y

VIOGNIER

Columbia Valley | 2014

Winemaking Notes

The 2014 Viognier spent 6 months being aged in 75% used French oak, 16% stainless steel and 9% concrete. The used oak component offers great mouthfeel. The stainless steel gives wonderful clean aromatics and the concrete combines great mouthfeel with beautifully clean aromatics. We will be introducing more concrete in 2015 and can't wait to see the results. Harvested between September 4th and September 20th the wine is fermented dry over a period of 4 months at very low temperatures. We find that keeping the fermentation temperature low helps preserve the delicate aromatics found in Viognier. During this time the wine is gently stirred to suspend the lees and improve the mouthfeel. The wine is tasted on a weekly basis. When the winemaking team feels the time is right malolactic fermentation is halted and the wine is fined and filtered into tank. The 2014 Viognier was bottled March 30th 2015.

Tasting Notes

The 2014 Viognier explodes from the glass with peach, apricot, and jasmine with hints of orange peel and Meyer lemon. The palate presents a rich and luxurious attack with elements of honey, waxed fruit and melon. The wine finishes with ripe citrus and crushed rock notes.

BLEND

100% Viognier

BARREL

75% Used French Oak
16% Stainless Steel Drum
9% Concrete Egg
Aged for 18 months

PRODUCTION

700 Cases

RELEASE

May 9, 2015

APPELLATION

Columbia Valley

VINEYARDS

Ciel du Cheval
Red Willow
Olsen

"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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