

LARNER

2015 SYRAH / GRENACHE

Varietals:

54% Syrah cofermented with
46% Grenache

Appellation:

Ballard Canyon

Vineyard:

Larner

Production:

198 cases made

Oak:

80% New French Oak

Time in Barrel:

24 months

Alcohol:

15.2 %

Cellar potential:

Now through 8+ years

Release date:

September 16, 2017

TASTING NOTES

If Lt. Col. Bill Kilgore, the surfing obsessed air cavalry commander from Apocalypse Now, ever made it back stateside, this is what it would be like to hear his stories round a Baja beach campfire: pre-typhoon petrichor, Djarums, cherry tarpaper, well-tuned Cummins diesel engine, grilled fennel and boudinbahn mi, spilt Dr. Pepper, Mont Blanc rollerball ink, 48 oz bone in ribeye for 4 and the lingering question of just how he acquired surfboards in a warzone.

NOTES

Larner Vineyard was winemaker Russell P. From's first fruit contract for Herman Story back in 2001 and over a decade later he is still working with the same block, same rows, same clones. Named by Robert Parker as a potential Grand Cru site, Larner Vineyard consistently produces Syrah and Grenache of singular character.

SERVING

Temperature: 65°F

Decant: 1+ hour

ABOUT

Proprietor and winemaker Russell P. From began Herman Story Wines in 2001 with 7 barrels stashed in his employer's cellar. What started as a modest homage to his rancher grandfather has become a beacon to those seeking opulent, structured Syrah and Grenache. To maintain balance while giving flavor full stage, Russell works with 30 top-tier vineyards in over 7 distinct growing regions between Santa Barbara and Paso Robles. Vineyards of particular note include: Bien Nacido, Slide Hill, Larner, Shadow Canyon, Chelle Mountain, Luna Matta and White Hawk. These are no nonsense, balls to the walls wines that are not for the faint of heart or the pinky raising set.

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