

LARNER

2013 GRENACHE SYRAH

Varietals:

70% Syrah, 30% Grenache

Appellation:

Ballard Canyon

Vineyard:

Larner

Production:

323 cases made

Oak:

85% new French Oak

Time in Barrel:

24 months

Alcohol:

15.5 %

Cellar potential:

5-8 years

Release date:

October 1, 2015

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, John Sebastiano, Larner, Shadow Canyon, Stolpman, Vogelzang 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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TASTING NOTES

This is the restaurant that you dream of stumbling into at the end of some long forgotten byway, delirious after hours and hours of driving. Cedar, heirloom charcoal, foie gras toast points, oak grilled sweetbreads, raspberry buttercream, a cowboy's leather sofa, Mexican hot chocolate, chocolate blueberry soft serve and espresso creme. The memory will linger for years, but you'll never remember the place's name and for some reason, no matter how hard you try, you'll never find it again.

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

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