

CASUAL ENCOUNTERS 2013 GSMV

Varietals:

45% Grenache, 35% Syrah, 18%
Mourvedre, 2% Tannat

Appellation:

California

Vineyards:

Rancho Real, Bien Nacido,
Laetitia, Santa Barbara High-
lands, Stolpman, John Sebastiano,
Paderewski, Shadow Canyon,
Terra Bella, Rolph, White Cliffs,
Chelle Mountain, Luna Matta,
Larner, White Hawk

Production:

986 cases made

Oak:

60% new French Oak

Time in Barrel:

24 months

Alcohol:

15.8 %

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

There you are making a beautiful camp breakfast over last night's coals, mottled sunlight coming through the trees, coffee quietly percolating, when a blackberry covered bear crashes through the scene and you abandon everything: huckleberry jam, bresaola, buttermilk biscuits, beef blood, cocoa nibs, new leather deck shoes, blown clutch, brand new 24r 16" Goodyear tires, Herbs de Provence and crushed raspberry bush.

NOTES

Casual Encounters takes its name from the orgiastic nature of its origins as a blend of small cofermented lots. The 2013 vintage saw 30 % whole cluster fermentation.

SERVING

Temperature: 65°F

Decant: 1+ hours



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