



MIDNIGHT
CELLARS

2017

SYRAH
"NOCTURNE"

PASO ROBLES
CALIFORNIA

TASTING NOTES

The color is a beautiful ruby/garnet and the nose is a perfumy combination of red fruit, slate, and vanilla. The mouth-feel is lush and flavors of blueberry, raspberry, and boysenberry are accented by vanilla and an attractive minerality. Approachable structure and well integrated fruit finish this wine nicely.

WINEMAKER Rich Hartenberger

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Syrah

COOPERAGE 100% French oak, 20% new

BARREL AGING 26 months

pH / TA 3.69

RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.09%

ABV 15.5%

PRODUCTION 125 cases



The 2017 vintage saw our drought end with a bang. The wet soils delayed bud-break to a normal time frame and produced such a healthy vineyard that we saw canopy sizes and cane lengths we hadn't seen in years. The summer began relatively cool but was punctuated by two heat spikes that accelerated ripening and produced intense flavors. The resulting vintage shows the health of the vines with a combination of concentration and freshness with bright acids framing powerful fruit.

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