



2021

THE STONES SPEAK ESTATE SYRAH

APPELLATION:

Walla Walla Valley, The Rocks District of Milton-Freewater

VINEYARD:

100% Syrah
Stones Speak Estate Vineyard, Certified LIVE and Salmon Safe

TECHNICAL NOTES:

pH 3.94
TA 0.57 g/100mL
Alcohol 14.3% By Volume

FERMENTATION:

Handpicked and hand sorted into 1.5 and 2 ton open top stainless steel fermenters. 30% whole cluster. Multiple harvest dates to select different levels of ripeness.

AGING:

Aged 16 months in 500 Liter French oak puncheons, 20% new.

CASES PRODUCED:

305 cases

SENSORY NOTES:

The Stones Speak Estate Syrah hails from the esteemed Rocks District, renowned for its unique terroir and distinctive wines. Simply gorgeous in the glass with a deeply colored, opaque purple hue, hinting at its concentration and depth. On the nose, an ensemble of aromas unfolds, with intense notes of seared meat, ripe red fruit, blueberry compote, and crushed violets, underscored by nuances of graphite, and cracked black pepper. Layers of complexity reveal themselves with each swirl, showcasing the wine's pedigree and sense of place. The palate is equally impressive, with a full-bodied, opulent texture and velvety richness. Ripe red and black fruits mingle harmoniously with savory elements of cured meats, olive tapenade, and hints of charred earth, creating a multi-dimensional flavor profile that adds to the wine's hedonistic charm. The finish is long and lingering and will leave the taster yearning to know more about how the wine acquires these funky, briny, savory characteristics. Drink 2024-2038.

94 Points – *James Suckling*

93 Points/Editor's Choice – *Wine Enthusiast*