

LAVA CAP



Syrah, El Dorado 2014

Harvest Date: October 7th 2014

Vineyard: Lava Cap Estate

Blend: 95% / 5% Select Varieties

Aging: 24 Months in American and French Oak

Cases Produced: 500

Vineyard Notes: Our Syrah Vineyard grows on a beautiful south facing slope reminiscent of the Hermitage hill in the Rhone Region of France. With the cooling breezes from our vineyards 2700' elevation and the rich, well drained soils, our Syrah vines develop the lengthy flavors consistent with acclaimed Syrah wines. The soils are a combination of Aiken loam with veins of weathered Lava Cap and traces of decomposed granite. The Syrah blocks are trellised 2 different ways to alter ripening; as a quadrilateral system and a cane pruned system. Having 2 distinct ripening profiles allows us to build a more complex wine with roundness and nuances.

Wine Maker Notes: The wine opens with touch of allspice and transitions to rich deep flavors of blackberry and blueberry. The body is elegant and smooth, leaving light lingering tannin that will mature with age. A powerful wine with a stylistically rich, smooth finish. Sweet, delicate tannins frame the gentle focused finish.

