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2020 SYRAH

100% ESTATE GROWN

Fruit Source: Abacela's Estate Fault Line Vineyards

Appellation: Umpqua Valley, Southern Oregon AVA

Harvest Date: 6 October 2020

At harvest: Sugar; 25.6° Brix pH; 3.83 TA; 6.30 grams/liter

At bottling: Sugar; Nil

Cooperage: French (100%), 9% 2 Yr. Old, 91% Neutral

Bottling Date: 21 July 2022

Alcohol: 15.1% by volume

Case Production: 265 (750 mL)

SRP: \$36.00 (750 mL)

Awards, Ratings & Reviews:

94 Points, Paul Gregutt

Nothing shy here. Ripe, full, packed with marionberry and black cherry fruit, this also brings some floral aromatics, savory highlights and polished tannins. There's a firm streak of vanilla though no indication that any new barrels were used. I don't know if the winery plans to release a 2020 reserve Syrah, but it would be surprising if it could top this.

91 Points, Wine Enthusiast

Abacela may be known for Tempranillo, but they're not exactly slouches at Syrah. Which may explain how they made a 15.1% abv wine feel relatively light on its feet. The aromas are those of a rich black-cherry muffin with vanilla frosting. The flavors are darker, with tart blackberries joining dark chocolate and almonds.

TASTING NOTES

This was a great vintage for hillside grown Syrah. The intense aromas, flavors and tannic structure expected from our fruit will allow this wine to evolve in your cellar for six to eight years.