



TASTING NOTES

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WINEMAKING

Cases:	143
Appellation:	Ballard Canyon
Varietal composition:	100% Grenache
% Whole cluster:	100%
Soil at site:	Sand/Chalk/Limestone
Barrels Aging:	100% neutral French oak 22 months
Alcohol:	15.1%
Finished pH:	3.60
Finished TA:	6.3 g/L

2014 VINTAGE

Another year of drought, with intense heat leading into harvest. Despite the hot, dry conditions, the vines produced big yields in fruit. Expect wines with strongfruit characteristics, juiciness, and wonderful accessibility. These are wines driven by primary red fruit characteristics and a bright acid profile.

LARNER VINEYARD

Planted in 1999, Larner Vineyard is situated amongst the beautiful rolling hills of Ballard Canyon in the Santa Ynez Valley. At approximately 680 feet in elevation, this organically-farmed vineyard is planted to almost all Rhône varieties, including six acres of Grenache (4 blocks, 4 clones). The soil is composed of Marina sand roughly four feet shallow on top of a chalk bedrock, intermixed with conglomerate hardpan.

ACCOLADES

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93 points - The Wine Enthusiast Made from the same five rows each year of clone 362, this bottling starts with red-spice aromas of mace and cinnamon and then shows the underlying fresh raspberry and white-pepper tones. The sip starts very peppery, and then offers red currant, carnation, hibiscus and even a flash of red melon. - Matt Kettmann