



RUSACK

2014 SYRAH

BALLARD CANYON ESTATE RESERVE



The grapes for our Ballard Canyon Estate Reserve Syrah release are from the estate vineyards around the winery, located in the stunning Ballard Canyon AVA. Picked at dawn and brought directly to the winery in those early hours, the grapes were de-stemmed, fermented in small 1-ton bins, then punched down by hand numerous times each day to extract dark colors, spicy flavors and smooth tannins from the skins. The new wine was placed into French oak barrels, 67% of which were new.

Truly an 'estate' wine, the grapes for this Syrah release are from our beautiful estate vineyard in Ballard Canyon. With Ballard Canyon AVA's unique micro-climates and distinctive sandy loams, we discovered it the near perfect place for Rhone varietals such as Syrah. This Reserve blend is created from a selection of barrels that represent the bolder style of Syrah. Abundant with aromas of boysenberry, blueberry, and hints of cinnamon, its dense fruit characteristics are complimented by complex flavors of anise, vanilla and dark chocolate.

Vintage:	2014
Varietal:	100% Syrah
AVA:	Ballard Canyon
Grower/Ranch:	RUSACK Vineyards Estate
Produced & Bottled by:	RUSACK Vineyards, Solvang, CA
Bottling Date:	February 19, 2016
Cases Produced:	71
Retail Price:	\$44.00
Release Date:	November 2017
Fermentation:	Ten day fermentation followed by a 20 day extended maceration in 1 ton open bins with regular hand punch downs
Aging:	16 months 100% French Oak Barrels (67% New)
Bottle Analysis:	Alcohol: 14.20% pH: 3.57 TA: 0.635g/100ml Unfiltered

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