



2019
Syrah
Halcon Vineyard
Yorkville Highlands

Halcon is an extraordinary, rocky site at 2500 ft in the Yorkville Highlands. High elevation, cold coastal breezes, extreme low vigor soils and dense plantings converge to grow a enigmatic style of Syrah mostly unknown in California. Dramatic conditions constrict the sugar accumulation meaning we pick later but at a lower brix level- preserving natural acidity. The grapes are all crushed by foot and fermented whole cluster, with nothing more than gentle punchdowns throughout. Pressed to old, neutral French oak barrique for a 10-month elevage, capturing and preserving the delicate and expressive nature. Light on its feet, ebulliently perfumed and spiced full of all the things we adore about Syrah- lavender, violet, olive, peppercorn and graphite.

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