2019
Syrah Perspective

High Valley Appellation

Perspective Vineyard

WINEMAKING NOTES

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Brassfield Estate wines reflect the distinctiveness and diversity of our vineyards – from the elevated valley floor of High Serenity Ranch to the lofty and secluded Volcano Ridge Vineyard. With cool marine breezes, volcanic soils and high elevation ranging from 1800 ft. to 3000 ft., High Valley's transverse nature makes this AVA an unparalleled North Coast wine growing region. The eastern and southern regions of High Valley boast views of Clear Lake, the largest natural lake in California. In addition, Lake County claims the title of the best air quality in the state. Brassfield Estate wines are fruit-driven, balanced and delicious. Our Winemaker, Carlos Valadez, has generational roots at Brassfield Estate and is focused on sustainable viticulture practices and classic winemaking technique.

VINEYARDS

At a lofty 3000ft. above sea level Perspective Vineyard sits high above Paradise Valley and the Oaks. This vineyard offers a commanding view of Clearlake and Mt. Konocti. Our highest elevation site is not only our most visually stunning, but also our most unique, planted with six different Syrah clones, and utilizing a Roman trellising system. Perspective is one of the only vineyards in North America to be planted in this fashion. The terroir is reminiscent of the Côte-Rôtie region in Rhône Valley, with howling winds that cool the vines on hot days. This vineyard was planted with remarkably high density, offering an ideal environment for vine stress, restricting crop yields. This results in concentrated and complex wines.

WINEMAKING

This single vineyard Syrah was harvested by hand in the early morning to maximize quality. We kept our fermentation healthy with twice daily pump overs in small stainless tanks. We transferred the new wine to barrels to undergo malolactic fermentation in our caves. To showcase the aroma and character of this wine, it was aged for one year in both French and Hungarian oak barrels. The wine was stirred monthly on lees to achieve body and texture. This vintage was transferred to a concrete tank for another year before bottling, to increase complexity and enhance structure.

TASTING NOTES

A bright and bold entry of dynamic black fruit and sweet blueberry showcase the beauty and uniqueness of our Perspective Vineyard. This luxury Syrah offers a mouthwatering palette, juicy and round, with a bold layering of plush textures. Hints of cinnamon and nutmeg carry seamlessly into the lengthy finish.

TECHNICAL NOTES

pH: 3.81

Alcohol: 15.3%