



Longboard Vineyards was born with the harvest of a Syrah in September of 1998 so it is quite appropriate for me to release what I think is one of my best Syrah efforts as we conclude our eighteenth harvest.

This wine was born from a mistake, on a busy day during the 2013 harvest a few bins got placed in the wrong order and “voila” instead of fermenting the Dakine Vineyard Syrah separately from the Gossechase Syrah, they were crushed into the same tank. At the time I said: “Oh well, I guess we will not have a single vineyard Syrah this year” but in the spring of 2014 it was already clear to me that something magnificent was brewing in the barrels. As soon as the malolactic fermentation completed, the wine started to show tremendous depth of character, a great acid balance and just a tine bit of a SAVAGE edge At times, I can swear I taste a bit of the serpentine rock from the Goosechase location peeking over the bit of wild fennel nuance from Dakine. This type of complexity excites me for it speaks to the promise of things to come as the wine ages and the intense fruit character diminished. Only 4 barrels were selected for this bottling.

This Wine was bottled in August 2015, we recommend you age it further.

Cheers,

Oded Shakked - Owner & Winegrower

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SAVAGE CÔAST

Syrah

2013

Composition: 96 % Syrah, and about 0.8% each: Grenache, Petit-Sirah, Carignane, Malbec, & Zinfandel.

Appellation: Russian River Valley

Ageing: 23 months in French Oak barrels, 60% New

Analysis: Alcohol 14.5 %
TA 6.25 g/L pH 3.68

Production: 99 Cases

MSRP: \$ 68.00