



EISELE VINEYARD 2011 SYRAH

WINEGROWING INFORMATION

During spring, the vineyard was nearly through flowering when late spring rains reduced fruit-set elsewhere in the region. The cool temperatures of summer kept the crew busy opening the canopy, and the resulting light penetration allowed the Syrah crop to mature evenly. Dry warmth throughout September lifted all Syrah blocks to optimal ripeness. Harvesting spanned five days and ended September 30, well in advance of October rains. The wine was aged in 50% new French oak barrels for 19 months and was bottled in late June 2013.

TASTING NOTES

Our winemaking team notes *“2011 Eisele Vineyard Syrah shows the benefits of a colder vintage for our best Syrah parcels. With all Syrah blocks harvested before the rains, the complexity and richness are coupled perfectly with this vintage’s particularly intense varietal expression. A smoky, molten liquorice note runs through the finish rendering one of the deepest, most exciting Eisele Syrahs to-date.”*

GRAPE SOURCE

97% Syrah
3% Viognier
Napa Valley

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