



## WINEMAKER NOTES

*In its inaugural vintage, this Syrah highlights its cool-climate pedigree with lifted aromas of violets and bacon fat. The palate is precise and focused, offering crunchy red and black fruit wrapped in a taut, linear structure. It's a wine that speaks clearly of both site and vintage.*

## WINEMAKING

Cases:	158
Appellation:	Sta. Rita Hills
Varietal composition:	100% Syrah
Clonal selection:	Clone 470, Alban
% Whole cluster:	55%
Soil at site:	Loam/Limestone/Sand
Barrels   Aging:	100% neutral French oak   22 months
Alcohol:	13%
Brix:	21.5-22.5
pH at harvest:	3.57
Finished pH:	3.8
Finished TA:	6.4 g/L
Harvest date:	10/6/2022
Bottling date:	7/19/2024

## 2022 VINTAGE

2022 started off with a slightly later bud-break, and moderate weather through the spring and summer. Low yields across the board with all varietals and vineyards made the Labor-Day heat wave extra impactful and forced us to move quickly into harvest mode. Once the early ripening varietals were picked, the classic SB long growing season returned, and the final Rhone varietal grapes weren't harvested until late October. The 2022 wines retain their freshness and balance, with great flavor concentration and depth, and an extra kiss of sunshine.

## SPEAR VINEYARD

Spear Vineyards & Winery is located in the heart of the Sta. Rita Hills just off of Highway 246. Dedicated to sustainability, Spear utilizes CCOF certified organic farming techniques that result in nourished soils that improve vine health and vineyard expression. We are excited to be sourcing beautiful and organic fruit from this impeccably farmed site

## ACCOLADES

**94 points Vinous** *The 2022 Syrah Spear Vineyard is the first vintage of this wine for SAMsARA. Beautifully driven and saturating, it impresses with its depth and complexity. Mouthwateringly juicy, the 2022 wraps velvety, silky tannins around a generous mid-palate laden with ripe summer berries, black pepper, violets and licorice. The 50% whole clusters are seamlessly integrated. This is an excellent debut. -Billy Norris*