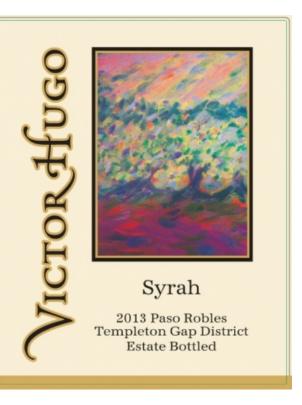


## **Wine Technical Notes**

## 2013 Estate Syrah

Varieties: 100% Syrah Appellation: Paso Robles Average brix at harvest: 25.4 Vineyard: Estate Alcohol: 13.9% Acidity: 0.71g/100ml PH: 3.58 Residual sugar: 0.03g/100ml Date bottled: February 24, 2015 Cases produced: 98



**Growing conditions:** PERFECT! 2013 HAD GREAT GROWING CONDITIONS, WITH MINIMAL APRIL FROST, WARM DAYS/COOL NIGHTS IN JULY AND AUGUST THEN A FULL INDIAN SUMMER IN MID-SEPTEMBER. VINEYARD YIELDS WERE NORMAL DESPITE LOW WINTER RAINFALL WHILE QUALITY APPEARS EXCELLENT DUE TO SMALL BERRY SIZE.

**Winemaking:** After hand harvesting, the grapes were crushed into a stainless steel fermentor then 24 hours later inoculated with D80 yeast. The must was pumped over 2 times daily for 12 days. After pressing and settling and completion of malo-lactic fermentation, the wines were aged for 17 months in French and Hungarian barrels prior to bottling.

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