



Alexandria Nicole Cellars

2013 "Block 17" Syrah

The 2013 vintage continues to shape up as one of the best at Destiny Ridge Vineyard and for Washington State as a whole. This warm-vintage Syrah is produced from the Sara Lee Clone in Block 17 and was co-fermented with whole cluster Viognier grapes. This technique is Old World in style and increases color extraction awhile helping to bring out those signature floral aromas that Syrah can achieve in great growing years. This suave red packs plenty of power and purity in a compact and elegant package. Intense yet focused with magnificent scents of flourless chocolate cake, cassis and strawberry gives way to flavors that are fresh and forward, buoyed perhaps by that hint of Viognier, as well as a tight tannic weave that keeps the wine lithe and vibrant. The long and sturdy finish is packed with strawberry, blackberry cobbler with hints of basil, crushed herb, and spice. This bold Syrah can hold up to the intense flavors of any big meat such as a slow-roasted pork shoulder or a spicy pepper and cumin dish to bring out the savory side of the wine.

ABOUT ALEXANDRIA NICOLE CELLARS

Founders Jarrod and Ali Boyle are dedicated to producing small lots of hand-crafted wine from our own Destiny Ridge Estate Vineyard. Through attentive viticulture management, balanced crop levels, gentle hand-harvesting and processing of grapes, and passionate winemaking, we produce consistent quality in every bottle. Located in the Horse Heaven Hills, our 327-acre estate vineyard is located high on the bluffs overlooking the majestic Columbia River. It is here, high on the dominate ridge, that our grapes thrive in these unique soils. It is here that our winemaker Jarrod nurtures the fruit quality from bud to bottle. Our belief is that quality starts in the vineyard.

JUST THE STATS

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills
Vineyard: 100% Destiny Ridge Vineyard (Block 17)
Aging: Aged 18 months in 50% new French oak and 50% 1-year-old French oak barrels
Varietal: 85% Syrah, 12% Grenache, 3% Viognier
Alcohol: 14.6%
Production: Release Limited to 243 cases

\$45 / 750ml. bottle (Retail)
Jarrod L. Boyle ~ Winemaker

