

## 2016 "JET BLACK" SYRAH WINE SPECTATOR - 93 POINTS

**VINEYARD:** Destiny Ridge Vineyard

**PRODUCTION:** Release Limited to 943 cases

WINE MAKING Jarrod L. Boyle, Matt Dodson

100%

Syrah

AGING: Aged 18 months in 40% new French

Oak and 60% 2-year-old French Oak

IET BLACK

**APPELLATION:** Horse Heaven Hills

TEAM: & Ryan Strom

ALCOHOL: 14.4%

VARIETAL:

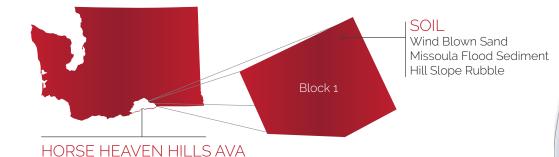
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## TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 Jet Black Syrah is handpicked from some of our most cherished blocks. Whole berry fermented, this wine showcases a wide array of fruit, earthy notes and smoked meat, backed with a velvety richness that makes this estate grown Syrah something to be enjoyed for years to come. On the nose, raspberry, Rainier cherry, and boysenberry blend harmoniously with cured meat, a touch of allspice, vanilla and mocha. The elegance on the pallet is highlighted by plum, blackberry and ripe blueberry which compliment oaky nuances and a plush tannin profile. The wine finishes with a cleansing aaacidity, making it both an ideal stand-alone sipper and food friendly wine.

## VINTAGE

2016 continued the trend of warm growing seasons in Washington marked by an early start. Bud break and bloom were significantly advanced from historical dates, with bloom occurring in some areas as early as the third week of May, a good two-plus weeks ahead of average. By the end of May, 2016 was easily on pace to surpass 2015 as the warmest vintage on record.



Located in South Central Washington

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.

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