2015

Grand Klasse Reserve Syrah

Columbia Valley





Blend: 100% Syrah

pH: 3.81

Alcohol: **15.1%**

Winemaker: **Aryn Morell**

Case Production: 110 cases

Suggested Retail Price: \$50/bottle

Grand Klasse

Awards & Accolades: 92 points - Vinous

The Wine

Gorgeously complex with smoke, minerals, bacon fat, charcuterie and spicy black fruits. Some air lifts plum skin, currants, blackberries and savory notes of black olive and garrigue. The palate is full bodied with pressed black fruits, spice and a hint of tapenade, smoky minerals and a tannic spine. Our winemaker's favorite GK Syrah to date!

The Winemaking

This Syrah was fermented in 85% concrete tanks, 4% whole cluster. Aged in 50% new French oak puncheons for 20 months. Made from five picks and three different clones from the Scarline blocks. Meant to deliver pure, dark and concentrated flavors. Where the Vaucluse is meant to be slightly wilder and showcase some more savory notes, this wine is all about primary fruit with notes of smoke, bacon fat, and minerals.

The Vineyard

Gård Vintners is 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards on the Royal Slope of the Columbia Valley AVA.

The Grand Klasse Reserve Label

Inspired by the French Grand Cru wines, Gård "Grand Klasse" is our reserve-level program, aptly named in reflection of our Scandinavian heritage. It represents the top tier of Gård wines. To be designated "Grand Klasse," each wine must meet strict standards of quality and is blended, bottled and aged with the utmost of care to bring you the very best of our grapes and effort in the bottle.

The Winery

Founded in 2006, Gard is a family owned and operated estate winery. Winemaking is conducted in Walla Walla under winemaker Aryn Morell. Gard has three tasting rooms: Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville.

Our mission at Gård is to capture and bottle the unique characteristics of the land we farm. We humbly craft value-driven, award-winning wines from our sustainable estate vineyards to create lasting memories for our customers.

Gård, meaning "farm" in many Scandinavian languages, is a tribute to our family's heritage and farming tradition.