

2013 Merlot Rattlesnake Hills

VINEYARD NOTES: 2013 was a very warm year resulting in big wines. The vines produced a very small crop of highly concentrated fruit..2013 was a very warm year which produced very rich ripe fruit. Bright acid differentiates this Merlot from California Merlot which tends to be flabby.

TECHNICAL DATA:

| Appellation: | Rattlesnake Hills |
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| Grapes: | 100% Château Puryear Vineyard, Zillah, WA |
| <u>Harvest:</u> | |
| Dates: | 9-16-2013 |
| pH: | 3.42 |
| Brix: | 24.0 |
| T.A.: | 6.3 |
| Bottling: | |
| Date: | 8-4-2015 |
| pH: | 3.63 |
| T.A.: | 6509 |
| Alcohol: | 13.7 |
| Sugar: | dry |
| Production: | cases 105 |
| <u>Cellar Notes:</u> | The wine was aged 2 years in new small French and American oak casks, three- year air dried, with a medium + toast. |
| Tasting Notes: | Black cherry and pie cherry aromas greet the nose with layers of vanilla from the integrated French oak. |
| Accompaniments: | Prime rib |
| Serving Notes: | Serve room temperature 65° |