

RED • CAR

WEST SONOMA COAST

2013 SONOMA COAST

SYRAH

► APPELLATION AND VINTAGE

One of the original Rhine Rangers, Red Car has been producing Syrah longer than any other varietal. Today, it is at the forefront of the style evolution in California Syrah. Restraint, naturally high acidity, true Northern Rhine Syrah perfume, and silky tannins are important components in Red Car's 2013 Sonoma Coast Syrah along with native yeast fermentation, moderate stem inclusion and being aged in 500L puncheons for 18 months. Sourced from stand-out Syrah vineyards in Northern California, the Red Car Estate Vineyard in the Fort Ross-Seaview AVA and the Vivio Vineyard in Bennett Valley from the Petaluma wind gap, this wine showcases Red Car's commitment and passion towards handcrafting wines of balance and finesse.

► TASTE

Juniper berry, black pepper, mushroom, anise

► WHO WE ARE

For nearly 20 years, we have been on a journey—one that started with 50 cases of Syrah vinified in a garage in sunny Los Angeles. A short time later, we marched steadily northward toward a vision of cooler vineyard sites and the complex, aromatic wines they can express. Today, under the direction of viticulturist, Greg Adams, and winemaker, Tanner Scheer, we farm five dramatic ridge-top vineyards in Occidental, Sebastopol, Freestone and Cazadero. This rugged terrain's coastal influence—where the Pacific fog filters in daily through giant redwoods until warm sunshine sends it back out to the sea—provides perfect growing conditions for our hallmark style: perfumed aromatics, bright fruit, crisp texture and uplifting acidity. An early leader in the formation of the proposed West Sonoma Coast AVA, we are passionately committed to producing wines of purity and focus that express the authentic varietal character and terroir of each unique coastal vineyard site. At our core, we are a small, independent farming operation committed to conservation and sustainability.

► SPECS

AVA	<i>Sonoma Coast</i>
AVERAGE BRIX	<i>22.1°</i>
TOTAL ACIDITY	<i>1.815g/L</i>
STEMS	<i>g 10%</i>
FRENCH OAK	<i>g 10% Neutral</i>
PH LEVEL	<i>3.1</i>
CLONES	<i>Alban, 383</i>
VINEYARDS	<i>Red Car Estate 95% Vivio 5%</i>

VINEYARDS *on the* EDGE OF THE PACIFIC

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