



# 2016 DRV CAB. SAUVIGNON SYRAH



Our first ever Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah blend from our estate vineyard was crafted from blocks 3, 4, 8, and 9. The most expressive barrels from each of these lots were selected for the final cuvée. The pleasant aroma and fragrance of Cabernet Sauvignon marries beautifully with the darker and savory tones of Syrah to reveal balance and character in this typical “New World” blend. The wine matured in French oak for 18 months, with 50 % new oak providing a firm accent behind the wine, delivering complexity and structure in the end result.

This distinctive wine will showcase fruit-driven notes of plum and dark cherry alongside intriguing savory hints of grilled meats, pepper, leather and smoky tones. After a while the wine becomes more floral and perfumy, delivering subtle notes of lavender and potpourri. The mouthfeel is round and pleasant, with balanced fruit in the foreground, and soft oak shifting through layers in the mid-palate, creating balance and depth. It was created to be enjoyed with that special meal, and pairings such as grilled top sirloin with peppercorns, braised duck breast with plum sauce or smoked barbecued ribs will complement this wine well.

## TECHNICAL DATA

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**VARIETIES:** 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 50% Syrah

**APPELLATION:** Walla Walla Valley

**VINEYARDS:** Double River Vineyard

**OAK:** 100% French oak, 50% new, 18 months

**ALC:** 15%    **PH:** 3.91    **T.A.** 4.9g/L    **R.S.** 0.2g/L

**PRODUCTION:** 144 cases