

2019 The Big Canyon



The 2019 Big Canyon possesses the true essence of a bold red blend! This GSM blend features our savory Syrah, complemented by bright Grenache, & opulent Mourvèdre. Both the Syrah & Grenache are 20% whole cluster fermented, adding incredible texture, complexity, & aging potential to this wine! The fruit was hand-selected & aged for 18 months in 100% French oak to create a blend of Rhône varietals that is richly sophisticated, multi-layered, & has flawless balance.

You are first drawn in by the deeply opaque ruby color and vibrant aromatics of brambly, inky fruit like blackberry & cassis, with delicate nuances of caramelized fig, hazelnut, herbs de Provence, & toasted oak that develop in the glass. The enticing palate is silky on entry with bright cherry & fresh raspberry jam, while earthy notes of Dutch cocoa, oregano, & a hint of toasted oak add complexity. This blend is defined by its bold elegance & ripeness with an astonishing depth that signifies the hallmark characteristics of these spectacular varietals. With a long, savory finish & its beautifully intertwined acidity, this wine will continue to age famously for the next 10 to 15 years.

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WINE PROFILE

GRAPE VARIETY:	36% Mourvèdre, 35% Syrah, 16% Grenache, 9% Petite Sirah, 4% Counoise
APPELLATION:	El Dorado AVA
VINEYARD:	Starfield Estate
VINES:	Planted 2013-2016
ELEVATION & SITE:	2,300-2,400 feet. Grenache, Mourvèdre, & Counoise are planted near the top of the hill, where they bask in the afternoon sun, as does Petite Sirah, which is planted on a south-facing slope just below the lake. Syrah grows on cooler north-facing slopes near the Tasting Room.
ALCOHOL:	14.8%
pH:	3.74
ACIDITY g/L:	5.33
CELLARING:	18 Months in 30% new French Oak, 70% neutral French Oak
BOTTLING DATE:	June 2021
PRODUCTION:	546 cases

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