



Margerum Wine Company
2011 Black Oak Vineyard Syrah
Santa Barbara County

Black Oak Syrah hails from the vineyard owned by Dan and Meghan Reeves located in the Los Alamos Valley. The vineyard is planted to Syrah Clone 99 and Syrah Clone 877. The 2011 Black Oak Syrah comprises equal parts of these clones. We believe this is the most age worthy of our single vineyard syrah's.

Vineyard Region: Los Alamos Valley, Santa Barbara County AVA

Vintage Conditions: It was a year dominated by different kinds of weather. A nice cool growing season with a spring frost and some rain mid-harvest. The frost damage was limited. Light moisture in early October was followed by good drying conditions with sunny, breezy weather. Overall, good harvest weather and we picked balanced sugar, acid and grape maturity, with a normal crop level. It's an outstanding vintage.

Harvest Date: Clone 877: 11 November 13, Clone 99: 12 November 13

Maturation: This wine was matured for 20 months in seasoned and new Françoise Frères French oak barriques. Never racked until bottled.

Wine Analysis: Alcohol 14.48 %, pH 3.57, and TA 6.6g/L.

Production: 322 six packs.

Winemaker

Winemaker comments:

Color: Black Red.

Aroma: Complex array of black-blue fruits, combined with black pepper and anise.

Palate: Burnt blueberry, black pepper and cola combines to create an intricate weave of savory and spice. Velvety, present tannins. The persistent and length should ensure drinking pleasure over the next decade.

These wines are made in a reductive manner and are at their best when decanted or aged.

Peak Drinking: Now-2025

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