



Margerum Wine Company
2012 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 2012 Black Oak Syrah 67% clone 877 and 33% clone 99. We believe this is the most age worthy of our single vineyard Syrah.

Vineyard Region: Los Alamos Valley, Santa Barbara County AVA

Vintage Conditions: 2012 was a good year for growers, as the yields were high and the quality was very good. Nice cool mild summer, low wind spring, so a great set. No rain, no frost, and no storms – amazingly. Summer arrived with little fog and perfect clear warm (not hot) days allowed for slow grape development retaining natural grape acidity resulting in low alcohol wines with rich concentrated varietal flavors.

Harvest Date: October 30th

Maturation: This wine was matured for 20 months in seasoned and 33% new Ermitage French oak barriques. Never racked until bottled.

Wine Analysis: Alcohol 14.1%, pH 3.58, and TA 7.4 g/L.

Production: 272 six packs, 12 magnums, and 2 double magnums

Winemaker

Winemaker comments:

Color: Dark black and 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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