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# 2019 WALLA WALLA VALLEY SYRAH FUNK VINEYARD

Located at an elevation of 1,000 feet in the famed Rocks District of Walla Walla Valley, Funk Vineyard is a 5-acre gem that has earned renown for producing some of the region's most extraordinary Syrahs. Planted to the Phelps Clone using a rare trellising system that yields highly concentrated berries, Funk Vineyard Syrah combines lush pomegranate flavors with savory layers of charcuterie, scorched earth and cigar leaf.

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

Heavy winter snowfall in 2019 led to well-irrigated soils and a late budbreak. The relatively cool weather continued throughout spring and summer with temperatures in the high 80s to low 90s, and only a few days over 100° F. This allowed for beautiful flavor development balanced by ideal acid retention, producing elegant and age-worthy wines with lovely energy and character, supple tannins and bright, juicy flavors.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

The 2019 Funk Vineyard Syrah broods with dark juicy fruits and a savory meaty core, offering a complex tapestry of aromas that include blackberry, blue plum, pomegranate, violet, wet loam, iodine, sesame, and sweet tobacco leaf. On the palate, the entry is round and hedonistic, balancing lush berry notes with flavors of charcuterie, kalamata olive and dried plum, as well as terroir-driven hints of crushed basalt, wet river rocks, sea spray, pipe tobacco and thyme.

### WINEMAKING

APPELLATION Walla Walla Valley

VINEYARD Funk Vineyard

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Syrah

OAK PROFILE & AGING 35% new French oak, 65% neutral French oak

Aged 16 months

**KEY COOPERS** Atelier

14.5% ALCOHOL

PH 3.87

**ACIDITY** 0.57 g/100 ml

**FERMENTATION** 40% whole-clusters in the fermentation were gently

macerated by feet, with 60% destemmed Syrah layered

over top. Left to age on its lees, with occasional stirring.



