## WESTWOOD

ANNADEL GAP VINEYARD

38° 17' 30" N = 122° 27' 27" W

# 2018 WESTWOOD SYRAH ANNADEL GAP VINEYARD, SONOMA VALLEY, SONOMA COUNTY



### **Farming**

Biodynamic, Organic, Sustainable

#### Varietal

97% Syrah, 2% Mourvedre, 1% Tannat

#### Clones

Syrah: Tablas Creek Mourvèdre: Clone 369

### Cases

100

pН	3.84
TA	$6.1\mathrm{g/L}$
Harvest	10/11/18
Brix	24.3
ABV	14.6%

### Tasting Notes

Savory and elegant are hallmarks for Westwood's Syrah variety. Aromas of smoked bacon, white pepper, and green olive beckon in the glass, while a refined tannin structure imparts a smooth palate experience. A hit of blackberries and blueberries are followed by a light hint of chocolate and allspice with a smooth, lingering finish.

### Vineyard

The Annadel Gap Vineyard is a special place. Located between Mt. Hood and the Sonoma Mountains, our site is characterized by thick morning fog and strong afternoon winds. Alluvial, glacial, and sedimentary influences create a wide array of soil types. Ideal growing conditions, varied soils, and our biodynamic, organic, and minimal-impact farming methods yield precise, balanced fruit.

## Winemaking

Hand-harvested at night, the fruit was sorted then fermented with 21% whole clusters. The wine underwent a 3 days cold-soak, gentle punch downs 1-3 times daily, 19 days on the skins, and was gently basket pressed to French oak barrels (95% new). Aged for 20 months then bottled unfiltered.