



GORDON

Estate

2015 *Syrah*

KAMIAK VINEYARD ~ COLUMBIA VALLEY

- **COMPOSITION:** 99% Syrah, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon
 - **OAK PROGRAM:** 31% New French Oak & 5% New American Oak for 22 months in Barrels
 - **pH:** 4.00
 - **TA:** 6.0g/L
 - **ALCOHOL:** 13.6%
 - **PRODUCTION:** 1,519 cases
 - **BOTTLED:** Aug 2017
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VINTAGE

2015 kicked off with a mild Winter and early Spring that jump started the growing season in Eastern Washington. Couple that with the hottest Summer on record and the result was the earliest harvest start to date. Three weeks earlier than average, bud break occurred on the 20th of March and we were already enjoying consistent daily highs in the mid 70s. Like 2014 the heat built quick from there and by mid-May we saw our first day over 100 degrees. Summer was dry and hot, the hottest on record and with that harvest arrived as we picked the first of our Chardonnay on August 26. As we rolled into September the summer heat gave way to a wonderfully dry and warm fall that carried us through until harvest end on October 26th. That cooling trend allowed our reds extra hang time to develop and refine tannin structure and deepen flavor profiles.

TASTING NOTES

A brooding dark red with complex aromas of brown sugar crumble, honey, clove, and dried herbs. A sweet entry gives way to a meaty wine with notes of plum, cedarwood, and cherries. The finish is silky smooth and leaves you wanting more. Pair with smoked Gouda or roasted turkey.