

SPRUCE HILL WINERY GRENACHE (NV)



TECHNICAL DATA

AVA: Columbia Valley VARIETAL(S): 77% Grenache, 11% Syrah, 12% Mourvèdre VINEYARD: Heron Bluff, Weinbau, Alder Ridge CELLAR TREATMENT: Neutral French oak PRODUCTION: 31 cases ALCOHOL: 14.1% by volume

TASTING NOTES

Even people who "only drink white wine" are in love with this classic blend of Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvèdre. It is bright with aromas of ripe raspberry, crushed herbs, black olive, white pepper, and just a hint of oak. The savory finish makes it a beautiful glass of wine to enjoy on its own or served with everything from smoked salmon to turkey.

PRODUCTION NOTES

The Grenache in this blend is from a relatively new, 5th-leaf block at Heron Bluff Vineyard. Despite the youth of the vines, the complexity of this wine continues to impress us. The grapes were picked by hand on October 16, 2022, into small picking bins. Primary fermentation lasted 6 days in opentop fermenters. The wines were pressed and barreled down into neutral French oak barrels. After aging for 11 months, the wine was racked and blended with a small amount of Syrah and Mourvedre to add depth to the blend. Bottling took place in September 2023.