2023 GSM

The Rocks District of Milton-Freewater AVA

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THE WINE

Our goal was to capture the essence of the famed Southern Rhone Valley blend from the Chateauneuf-du-Pape growing region in our inaugural GSM. Grown in a strikingly similar rocky cobblestone soil, this wine is bright, balanced and reflects the unique terroir of this excellent Oregon growing region.

THE VINEYARD

Stone Pyre Vineyard is in the Rocks District of Milton-Freewater AVA. The Rocks District is a unique winegrowing region consisting of a thin layer of sandy soil riding on top of over 200 feet of basalt cobblestone rocks resulting in wine grapes with distinct sensory characteristics.

VINTAGE

The 2023 vintage will be remembered as a delayed growing season in the Rocks District. The summer was warm but not hot, and during harvest, temperatures remained nearly eight degrees below average which afforded greater hang time and flavor development.

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

The fruit was hand harvested hand sorted. Vinified from 50% whole cluster fermentation, the wine was then pressed, settled and barrel aged for 12 months in French oak, with 44% being new French oak.

TASTING NOTES

Aromas of Corinthian leather, fresh timber and cola greet the nose. On the palate the wine displays bright notes of black cherry, cherry cola, and cedar with an herbaceous hint of tomato leaf.



TECHNICAL DATA	
Composition	23% Grenache, 38% Syrah, 39% Mourvedre
Aging	12 Months in French Oak (44% New French Oak)
рН	3.62
Titratable Acidity	5.8 g/L
Alcohol	14.91%
Harvest Date	Syrah: September 21, 2023, Grenache and Mourvedre: October 12, 2023
Bottling Date	December 11, 2024
Release Date	March 2025
Bottle Production	365 Cases (4,380 bottles)