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2023 DARKNESS SYRAH

Full throttle, silky, spicy and just flat out delicious, 2023 **Darkness** is pure hedonism in a bottle. Deeply saturated purple, leading with notes of raspberry preserves, baking spices and black olive, followed by an avalanche of jammy black fruit, spice, subtle earthiness. Mouthwatering, rich and supple. Like a 300-yard drive (ok, 240-250) right down the middle: keeps you coming back for more.

Food pairing: Goat cheese polenta with morel sherry vinaigrette or cassoulet with lots of duck and sausage

Movie pairing: *The Shining*

FOUNDERS' NOTES

Darkness is our full throttle, wide-open desert island Syrah from the Yakima Valley. Dick Boushey and Leif Olsen are arguably among the finest Syrah growers in our universe today. We decided to make this wine in 2005 and have never looked back. It has gobs of very high scores from many very important publications. It's called **Darkness** because...

Grapes 100% Syrah

Clones Phelps

Vineyards Boushey and Olsen

Appellation Yakima Valley

Aging 68% new French oak

Alcohol/ TA/pH 15.05%/0.50/4.07

Cases 229

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94 *Wine Spectator* (2021)

94 *Owen Bargreen* (2021)

92 *James Suckling* (2021)

