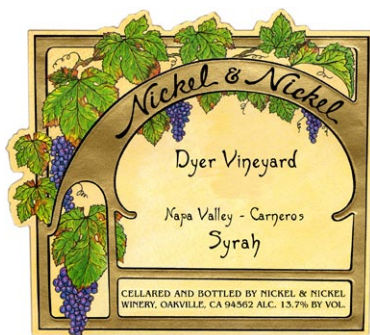




DYER VINEYARD

Syrah, Carneros, Napa Valley



APPELLATION

Carneros, Napa Valley

YEAR PLANTED

2000

VARIETAL

Syrah

ACREAGE

4 acres

CLONE & ROOTSTOCK

Syrah clone 99

on the 101-14 rootstock

TRELLISING

Vertical shoot positioning (VSP)

GEOLOGY

This vineyard is composed of a silty, clay loam derived from two soil series.

The Haire soil series are moderately well drained and found on old terraces and alluvial fans, depositing weathered sedimentary rock. The Cole soil series are made by alluvial fans depositing sandstone, shale and volcanic rock.

VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

Nestled in the hills of Carneros, Dyer Vineyard is planted on a northwest-facing hillside receiving excellent sun exposure. The climate is relatively cool and the fruit is slow to ripen, allowing for a long hang time. The soils are composed of clay loam and the slope lends itself to good drainage. The rootstock and clonal selection at this site are the perfect match for the vineyard and the flavors develop with great intensity. Nickel & Nickel produces Syrah from just four acres of this 30-acre vineyard.

TASTING NOTES

Dark in color with aromas of violet and coffee, this wine features flavors of plum and spice on the palate, while the underlying earthiness of the varietal adds complexity. Coffee and roasted nuts fill the middle palate as the wine expands to reveal its rich texture and supple tannins.