



Hudson Vineyard Syrah

Vineyard Description The Hudson Vineyard is located in the Carneros region in south Napa. Nestled against a hill that helps block the predominant Carneros winds, this vineyard has a gentle, west-facing slope with soils composed of clay and silt loams. Cool, foggy mornings followed by sunny, warm afternoons allow for optimal fruit ripening. The proper rootstock and clone combination provides balanced vines, and strict irrigation practices concentrate the fruit flavors needed to produce this outstanding Syrah. Nickel & Nickel makes wine from less than two acres of this 180-acre vineyard.

Appellation Carneros (Napa Valley)

Year Planted 1997

Varietal Syrah

Acreage 1.6 acres

Clone & Rootstock Syrah clone Estrella River via Bien Nacido on the 3309C rootstock

Trellising Vertical shoot positioning (VSP)

Geology The vineyard is composed of a silty, clay loam from the Haire soil series. The Haire series provides moderately well-drained soils found on old terraces and alluvial fans, with deposits of weathered, sedimentary rock.

Tasting Notes Hudson Syrah shows a beautiful dark color very characteristic of Syrah. Aromas of violet, lavender and berry abound from the glass. This wine is rich and concentrated with flavors of wild berry, white pepper and spice with just a shade of the varietal funkiness adding subtle nuances throughout. This is a flashy wine, full of flavor, which expands on the palate and continues to grow through its lengthy finish.