



2012 Muns Vineyard Syrah
Santa Cruz Mountains, Estate

~ Winemaker / Tasting Notes ~

Tasting notes: This is a full-bodied, luscious Syrah with rich blackberry pie and purple plum on the palate, vanilla and almond, balanced by black olive and white pepper. A hearty Syrah. The fruit is rich and round, with velvety tannins and acidity. It will bottle age beautifully. The color is a beautiful deep garnet. On the nose: blackberry, black plum and cedar, with a hint of orange blossom. It enjoys our signature silky mouthfeel, and the balanced acidity and minerality from our Santa Cruz Mountains vineyard. The 2012 Syrah is the fifth vintage from the one-acre Syrah block; planted in 2004.

90 cases produced
100% Syrah
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Retail: by the bottle: \$25

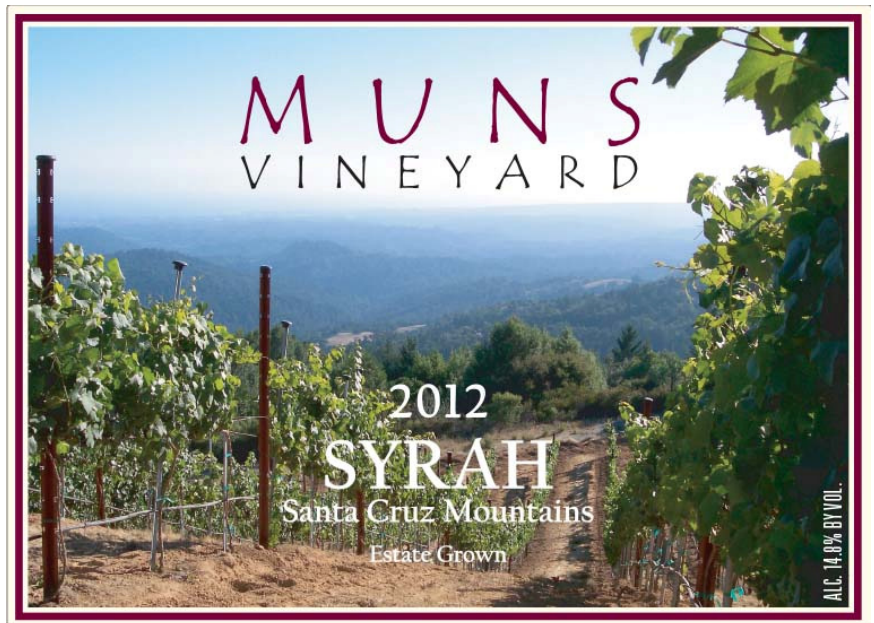
Winemaker's notes:

Alcohol: 14.8%
Must analysis: Brix 23.8; pH 3.59; TA .74
Harvest date: Oct. 1, 2012
Barrel Aging: 17 months in 33% new Hungarian oak; stirred on the lees for maximum color and flavor.

Not crushed, but destemmed; gravity fed through the entire process.

Fermentation: Whole berry; fermented in chilled stainless steel open top fermenters; 'punchdown/drainover' using gentle PulseAir process three times daily.

Bottling: Unfined and unfiltered.



The Vineyard: At 2600' elevation on the Loma Prieta ridge top, Muns Vineyard is an ideal cool site for growing premium Pinot Noir and Syrah. It is the highest vineyard growing Pinot Noir and Syrah in the Santa Cruz Mountains. The site enjoys panoramic views over the redwood forests to span Monterey Bay, from Santa Cruz to Monterey, and eastward towards Los Gatos. The vineyard sits above the fog line and is cooled by the gentle maritime breeze that sweeps in almost constantly off of Monterey Bay in the summertime. In the winter it is not uncommon for the vineyard to be blanketed in snow. The soil varies from rich loam to shale to red clay. The 2011 Syrah is the fourth vintage from the one-acre Syrah block; planted in 2004. The fruit is grown by Ed Muns, with diligent attention to sustainable vineyard practices that produce extraordinary winegrapes.

"Special Mountain Pinots & Syrah from our High Mountain Vineyard."

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