

THE BRANDER VINEYARD

LOS OLIVOS, CALIFORNIA

2023 ESTATE SYRAH

LOS OLIVOS DISTRICT

The long, cool 2023 growing season produced a notably lighter and more lifted expression of Syrah than is typical for the Los Olivos District. Grown in a small estate block, the wine opens with violet, black cherry and clove, followed by subtle pepper, dried herbs and a savory mineral edge. The palate is medium-bodied and fresh, with supple tannins, restrained richness and a lively, food-friendly finish.

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CASES PRODUCED

100%

ESTATE SYRAH

10 MONTHS

NEUTRAL FRENCH OAK

COMPOSITION

100% Syrah

VINEYARD SOURCE

Brander Vineyard (Estate), Los Olivos District - 3/4 acre block

HARVEST

Harvest date: October 24, 2023

Chemistry at harvest: 25.2 Brix | pH 3.52

TASTING PROFILE

Violet, black cherry and clove lead into subtle cracked pepper, dried herbs and a stony, savory note. Medium-bodied with soft tannins, fresh energy and a lighter, more restrained profile than many Syrahs from the area.

WINEMAKING

Organic practices in the vineyard (not certified). All grapes were hand harvested, destemmed and lightly crushed before fermentation in 1.5-ton bins. The wine aged for approximately 10 months in neutral French oak barrels.