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2017 Los Molinos Grenache-Syrah-Mourvedre

VINTAGE

The Columbia Valley saw a shift back to a more moderately warm year in 2017 after a couple of years with record-setting heat. A wet, cool spring delayed bud break but warm weather in the summer brought the ripening back to a normal schedule. Moderate fall temperatures led to ideal conditions for small berries and clusters with intensity and plenty of acidity.

VINEYARDS

Stillwater Creek, Weinbau, and Gamache are all considered to be among the pre-eminent vineyards producing Rhone Varieties in the Columbia Valley. These particular vineyards all have different terroir and climates, thus adding very different qualities to this complex, tantalizing wine. The limited rainfall, warm days and cool nights result in highly concentrated berries with dense skins, rich inky color, and bright acidity.

WINEMAKER

Though this is his seventh vintage as an independent producer, Andrew is fortunate enough to come from a family involved with Washington winemaking for the last 4 decades. He's had the invaluable opportunity of learning both the science and art of winemaking from great winemakers in Washington and from many Harvests abroad. In recent years he has worked tirelessly to hone a unique style that best fits my palate and produces what I consider to be elegant and well-balanced wines. This wine is a result of many years of experimentation in all facets of the fermentation process.

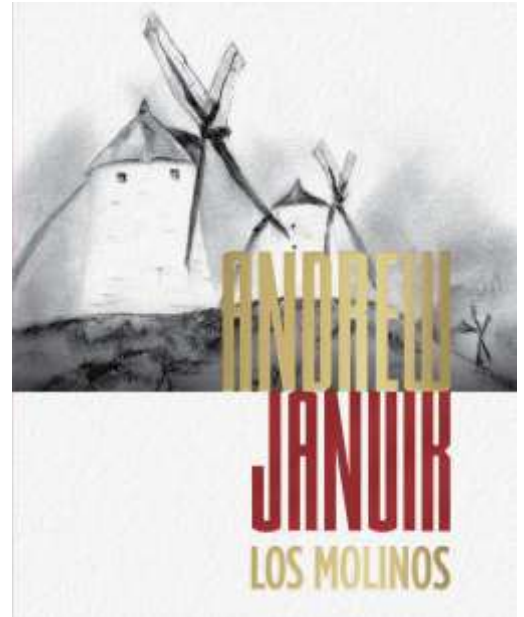
2017 Los Molinos Ratings (Not Yet Rated)

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- International Wine Report- 93 Points
- Wine Advocate- 90+ Points
- James Suckling- 91 Points
- Jeb Dunnuck- 91 Points

2015 Los Molinos Ratings (Inaugural Vintage)

- Wine Advocate- 93 Points

**Blend:**

60% Grenache
22% Syrah
18% Mourvedre

Cases: 199**TA:** 0.60**pH:** 3.62**Barrels:**

60% New French
40% Once-used French

Ageing: 21 months in barrel