



BANSHEE

2016 SYRAH BROKEN LEG VINEYARD

SITTING ON INCREDIBLY STEEP TERRACED ROWS ABOVE THE TOWN OF PHILO IN ANDERSON VALLEY, SITS THE BROKEN LEG VINEYARD. THIS VINEYARD IS A BIT OF AN ANOMALY FOR US, AS IT IS THE ONLY VINEYARD IN ANDERSON VALLEY THAT WE WORK WITH — A REMOTE, GORGEOUS, AND FRIGHTENINGLY STEEP VINEYARD SITE THAT WAS TRULY A WORK OF PASSION FROM THE LATE GROWER STEVE WILLIAMS WHO PLANTED THIS VINEYARD IN 1979. THE VINEYARD GETS ITS NAME FROM STEVE WHO UNFORTUNATELY BROKE HIS LEG IN THE PROCESS OF PLANTING THE VINEYARD. THERE ARE ONLY 5 ACRES PLANTED HERE WITH PINOT NOIR, VIOGNIER AND OUR VERY OWN SYRAH.



HARVEST/VINTAGE NOTES

This vintage marks the end of the drought year vintages in Northern California, which ended emphatically in the winter of 2016-2017. Once again, we saw extremely early bud break, flowering, and harvest for many of our varieties. These post-drought years have produced wines with excellent consistency, little disease pressure in the vineyards, and exceptional depth and intensity.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Syrah

WINEMAKING

The fruit was hand harvested and sorted on October 27, then completely destemmed before going in to small fermenters for a 4-day cold soak. Native yeast fermentation and pressed at dryness in a basket press. Aged for 15 months in 35% new French oak barrels: Cavin, Remond and Rousseau.

TASTING

The long growing season allows Broken Leg vineyard to retain excellent acidity with bright fruit flavors. Elegant yet structured, with a broad, soft palate and medium body. Reminiscent of the terroir-driven Syrahs of the Northern Rhône, this wine displays black cherry fruit, hints of violet and layers of exotic spice.

PRODUCTION

145 CASES

ALCOHOL

14.3%

PH

3.62

TA

6.1
