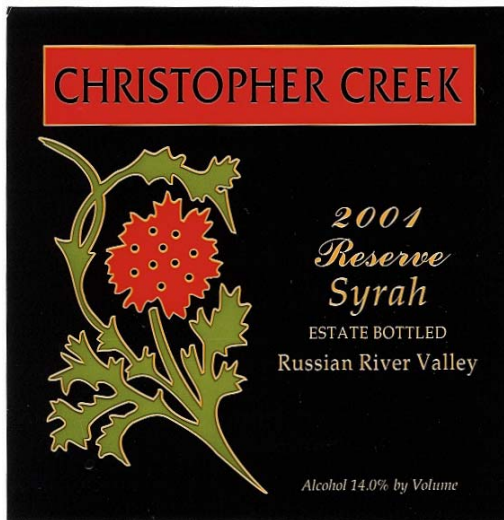




Christopher Creek Winery

2001 Russian River Estate Bottled Reserve Syrah



The 2001 Estate Bottled, Reserve Syrah was produced from a selection of barrels that showed the best aging potential. The wine reflects the exceptional quality of grapes grown on our hillside estate vineyard.

The color is dark violet and the aromas range from cherry to blackberry with peppery and smokey accents. On the palate, the wine is rich and balanced with a long, jammy finish. Drinkable now, this wine will nevertheless mature gracefully over the next 8-10 years as the generous tannins soften.

Versatile with food, Syrah pairs well with grilled red meat dishes, duck, Mediterranean-style food (olive oil, garlic, rosemary and thyme are its friends) as well as spicy food and cheese.

GOLD MEDAL– Florida State Fair, January 2004

SILVER MEDAL– San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, January 2004

SILVER MEDAL– Pacific Rim International Wine Competition, April 2004

2000 Vintage

Best of Class, Gold Medal– Jerry Mead's New World Wine Competition, March 2003

Silver Medal–Sonoma County Harvest Fair, September 2002

Silver Medal–Florida Sate Fair Wine Competition, February 2003

1999 Vintage

"91" Australian-California Shootout, August 2001, San Francisco, CA

1997 Vintage

About the 1997 vintage, the late Jerry Mead, in Mead on Wine, wrote the following: "Big, black-fruited Syrah with mostly spicy plum flavors and a hint of black pepper. Intensely flavored: firm backbone; plenty of tannin but not offensive astringency. A consistent medal winner. Ratings : Quality 94, Value 86."

Harvested September 2001— 3.3 tons/acre

Aged in French Oak Barrels

423 Cases Produced

Released August 2003

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