

2014 Estate Syrah

Seven Hills Vineyard · Walla Walla Valley

91+ points, The Wine Advocate, www.RobertParker.com,
June 2017

“Also terrific, with loads of black fruits, lavender, violets and peppery nuances, the 2014 Walla Walla Valley Syrah is full-bodied, rounded and voluptuous on the palate, with a broad, expansive texture. It's slightly closed aromatically, but shines on the palate, so give bottles a year and drink through 2024.” – Jeb Dunnuck

91 points - Stephen Tanzer, Vinous , October 2017

“(Clubb layered the bottom of the bin with 25% whole clusters): Bright, dark ruby. A distinct step up in vibrancy and complexity from the Columbia Valley Syrah, offering scents of black raspberry, licorice, violet, pepper and black olive. Dense, suave and savory in the mouth, with pristine black fruit, licorice and bitter chocolate flavors complicated by olive and pepper nuances. A lovely expression of terroir but not at all an animal style of Syrah. Clubb noted that the wine would have to be made more reductively to show a gamey character but this wine was racked three times. Finishes with substantial toothdusting tannins and excellent length.” – Stephen Tanzer

90 points, Wine Enthusiast, July 2017

*“The aromas are near completely closed up on first pour, with whiffs of marionberry, herbs and barrel spice. The palate brings dense tightly wound fruit flavors. It needs some time to stretch its legs but there are plenty of good things going on once they come to the surface.”
- Sean Sullivan*

88 Points, Wine Spectator, www.winespectator.com,
August 2017

“Dense, showing fairly gritty tannins, with notes of currant, stony mineral and licorice. Best after 2018.” – Tim Fish

The Seattle Time, Pacific NW Magazine, July 2017,
www.seattletimes.com/pacific-nw-magazine/

“Using grapes from Seven Hills Vineyard, the team at the old schoolhouse crafted a superb syrah with aromas and flavors of black cherry, blueberry and juicy marionberry pie, backed by impressive acidity and firm tannins.” – Andy Perdue

Tri-City Herald, March 2018,
www.tri-cityherald.com/living/wine/article204955624.html

“One of the Pacific Northwest wine industry’s most famous plantings is Seven Hills Vineyard near Milton-Freewater, Ore., and Sadie Drury uses Salmon-Safe practices while farming it for her many customers and the ownership group, which includes L'Ecole No 41. The latest Syrah is redolent of blackberry and plum with a wealth of acidity and restrained tannins.” – Andy Perdue & Eric Degerman

Medals & Competitions

Gold – Seattle Wine Awards, 2017

Silver – Sunset International Wine Competition, 2017