

Nicholson Jones

2010 Nicholson Jones Sugarloaf Syrah

Vintage:	2010
Varietal:	100% Estate Grown Syrah
Vineyard:	100% Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard, Napa Valley
Aging:	26 months 100% New French Oak
Bottled:	Feb-2013
Released:	May-2015
Alcohol %:	15.5%
Production:	160 cases



Tasting Notes

Blue Flowers jump out of the glass in this very aromatic Syrah, with notes of rich cassis, blue and blackberries. Freshly milled cinnamon and clove mingle with hints of smoked earth and tar. Lively acidity on the palate meets Blueberry and white peppercorns with a subtle underpinning of savory wild game and pulverized graphite. A long decant is recommended for this age worthy wine to reveal itself.

Terroir

100% of Syrah this comes from the Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard. Located in very south Napa Valley between Coombsville and Carneros, the vineyard sits on a volcanic rocky bench, in a cooler climate widely influenced by the bay. The vineyard is positioned high on the hills guarding the entrance to Coombsville. In general this vineyard has long hang time and very low yields. Standing in this beautiful vineyard, one can see the most northern part of the San Francisco Bay. We like this terroir because it creates fresh acidity, a balanced wine with elegance and finesse. We have consistently made a 100% Cab and cuvée from this unique vineyard.

Julien Fayard, *Winemaker*

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