



# HELIOTERRA

## 2015 Columbia Valley Oasis Syrah



**Variety:** Syrah

**Vineyard:** Oasis Vineyard

**AVA:** Columbia Valley

**Harvest Date:** September 1, 2015

**ABV:** 14.3%

**Production:** 112 cases

**pH:** 3.88

### Winemaker Notes

One of our bigger, bolder wines, the Columbia Valley Syrah is not for the faint of heart of palate. The aromatics bring to mind a decadent night of lakeside camping, with notes of dusty blueberries, split wood, and coffee with just a hint of sage, while the full palate is a lush blend of rich berry notes—think blueberry and plum skins and berry cobbler—and graham tethered by hints of chocolate and leather with firm, layered tannins.

### Viticultural Area

Oasis Vineyard's farming philosophy is one of managed minimalism; while Oasis is committed to doing everything that needs to be done, they remain wary of over-managing. In other words, they let the plants do what they are designed to do, or as Oasis explains it, "We are here to shepherd that process rather than determine it." Oasis planted the vineyard, including their first block of Syrah, in 1999. Helioterra's release is sourced from this—the oldest—block of Syrah on the farm. With that age, the block has settled well into maturity.

All of Helioterra wines are made naturally, meaning we do not use inoculated yeasts or bacteria. We use only native yeast to spark fermentation and we do not add any powdered tannins or enzymes.

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