

# Rocky Point Cellars

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

2013

## GRENACHE

*Boushey Vineyard*

### VINEYARD DETAILS

Boushey Vineyard; Yakima Valley AVA, Washington State

Dick Boushey, a cherry and apple grower first, planted Boushey Vineyard with Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot in 1980—three years before the Yakima Valley was recognized as an American Viticultural Area. Boushey Vineyard is located in a cooler region of the Yakima Valley and the grapes grown here earned distinction for the unique terroir they exhibit that is different from grapes grown in the warmer Red Mountain AVA to the east and the Wahluke Slope to the north. Dick was one of the earliest growers in Washington State to recognize the potential success of and to subsequently plant Rhone varietals in Washington.

### THE WINE

Delicate notes of dried tobacco, balsam, and rose petal open to a palate of blood orange zest, cherry stone, and almond with beautiful soft cranberries and sun-dried strawberries. We barrel fermented this wine in 60% new French Oak cigar barrels then rested on lees which added more structure to the body while softening and rounding out tannins.

### SPECIAL NOTES

*ERMITAGE 265L Cigar Barrels: The idea behind this shape and size is that the wine has more contact with the lees - through contact during barrel aging, the lees will help add more mid palate structure. For this barrel - we thus went to barrel "dirty" - not settling nor inoculating before putting the wine to barrel.*



### VINTAGE DETAILS

**Harvest Date:** October 21st, 2013

**Yield:** 5.5 Tons per Acre

**Brix:** 25.7

**pH:** 3.64

**Alcohol:** 14.9%

100% Whole Berry

**Barrel Aging:** 11 months on lees in new 36 month seasoned custom crafted large format ERMITAGE Troncais/Bertranges Cigar Light Toast cigar barrels and standard 36 month seasoned Light Toast Allier barrels; one twice filled standard 36 month seasoned Allier Light Toast barrel.

**Clone(s):** FPS 01A

**Vine Age:** 4 Y.O.

**AVA:** Yakima Valley, Washington State

**Cases Produced:** 67

**Released:** April 2014

**Retail Price:** \$48