

# 2012 LES COLLINES VINEYARD SYRAH

## WALLA WALLA VALLEY



### WINEMAKER NOTES

Bright aromas of violets, raspberries, blueberries, and blackberries lead to deep, dark scents of charcuterie. On the palate, the wine delivers flavors reminiscent of citrus and sea salt marinated beef accompanied by a mixed berry compote. A powerful mouthfeel, layered structure and lingering finish round out this sophisticated expression of our mountainside estate vineyard.

—Jean-François Pellet, Winemaker

### THE 2012 VINTAGE

From beginning to end, this was a cool year. The Walla Walla Valley experienced no 100-degree days for the first time in well over a decade. Despite the cooler weather, our vineyards were still able to reach full ripening, with harvest occurring approximately three weeks late. The longer hang time led to layered, nuanced flavors with vibrancy and natural balance.



### VITICULTURE

100% estate, sustainably farmed.  
Founding member of VINEA.

### WINE SPECIFICS

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| Varietal(s):      | 100% Syrah                               |
| Vineyard(s):      | 100% Les Collines                        |
| Appellation:      | Walla Walla Valley                       |
| Oak Program:      | 100% French oak;<br>13% new, 87% neutral |
| Harvest Date(s):  | October 5 - 23, 2012                     |
| Finished Alcohol: | 14.6% by volume                          |
| Total Production: | 347 cases                                |
| Bottling Date(s): | February 20, 2014                        |
| Release Date:     | November 2014                            |