SYRAH



BEST SOILS



ATTRIBUTES Dark and thick skin

Small egg shaped grape Natural high acidity and tannins

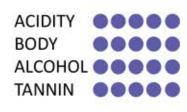
BERRY



VINE **ATTRIBUTES**

Hardy variety, "Terroir-friendly" Ripens best in dry climates Used as single varietal or as blend Likes oak Susceptible to coulure after flowering, mildew and oidium

PROFILE



AROMAS Dark fruit: black berries, dark plums black pepper, licorice, herbecous leather, cedar chocolate

WINE STYLES

There is a wide style and quality of wines made from Syrah. It is highly influenced by the climate. In moderate climates it gives medium to full-bodied wines (e.g. Rhône Valley) with medium-plus to high levels of tannins, notes of dark fruit, black pepper and smokey characteristics. In hotter regions such as Barossa Valley in Australia the full-bodied has softer tannins, riper fruit even jammy, licorice and leather. In many regions the packed fruit combined with acidity and tannin levels of Syrah, allow the wines with a great aging potential.

MAIN REGIONS

FRANCE: Côtes du Rhône

AUSTRALIA: Barossa Valley, Maclaren Vale, Margret River

USA: California AVA

NEW ZELAND: Hawke's Bay

WESTEIERMARK MATCHING

The climate of our site may be too wet for Syrah, that likes a more dry climate. However on schist soil with good drainage we could perhaps have a chance on our hills that also bathes in sun. We could also manipulate canopy to improve air circulation in the fruit zone to reduce mold and mildew pressure.