

Named after the hand-carved wooden Buffalo that overlooks the vineyard, this is the rockiest section. Located at 2000 ft elevation, the vineyard has soils of clay, loam and granite quartz. The granite adds a mineral backbone to the weight that the clay creates in the wine. What amazes me the most about this wine, is how over the years this wine has changed and has been so consistent at the same time. Over the years I continue to work with larger percentages of whole cluster additions which I feel add not only more complexity, but also make this wine more compelling and balanced.

Pure wow factor! Deep dark purple from the center of the glass until the rim. The aromatics are like a blend of roasted earth, blackberry, black cherry, wild Herbs de Provence, crème de cassis, dark chocolate, and graphite. The palate is pure full-bodied indulgence. Layered and textured from the palate entry to the incredibly long finish, focusing on black fruits, dried aged beef, and hints of layender.

30% whole cluster fermentation, aged for 18 months in 100% new 228L and 500L French oak barrels. Drink 2024 - 2038.

## 2019 Buffalo Hill Rockpile Vineyard Rockpile AVA 100% Syrah



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