

**CALIFORNIA**

**KALE WINES**

**Sonoma County**

**Syrah "Hyde Vineyard"**



**The History**

Kick Ranch, owned by Dick Keenan, is a hillside vineyard located in Sonoma County's newest AVA, Fountaingrove District. Its soil is Pleasanton-Haire complex that has been deposited in an alluvial fan surrounding natural runoff from the Mayacama mountains. Fantastic drainage has forced the plants to dig deep roots, naturally balancing the vines with low yields and concentrated fruit. With a straight shot through the Petaluma wind gap, the cool maritime breezes balance the intense afternoon exposure. This results in dark, ripe fruit with good acidity.



**The Grape**

100% Syrah



**Tasting Note**

The fruits were harvested at dawn. After full destemming and optically sorting, the whole berries were placed into a 500L puncheon. Fermentation continued for 26 days, ensuring ample color and flavor extraction through daily puncheon rotation. Following this, the skins were drained and pressed, and the resulting wine was aged in 25% new French oak barrels for 20 months. The wine was bottled without fining and underwent a delicate filtration process.

