



HIGHTOWER
CELLARS

**2016 Murray Syrah
Red Mountain AVA**

- Co-Winemakers – Tim and Kelly Hightower
- Syrah 95%, Viognier 5%
- Red Mountain AVA 100% (J. Hightower Vineyard 100%)
- Neutral Oak 92%, New Oak 8% (Hungarian 75%, French 25%)
- Alcohol 14.5%
- Residual Sugar <0.1g/L
- Unfined and Unfiltered

Co-fermented in traditional Côte Rôtie style, this intensely colored wine opens with aromas of dark berries and creosote. Firm tannins lead to a palate of dark fruit, dominated by blue and black berries, that finishes smoothly with hints of herbs and spice.

As much as possible, we take a non-interventionist approach to winemaking. We place great emphasis on vineyard selection, picking, pressing, and blending so that Hightower wines are naturally beautiful and free from pretense. We let the powerful and concentrated fruit from Red Mountain speak for itself. The result is a collection of well-balanced, nuanced wines that reveal something new and interesting each time you open a bottle. We like to think they're wines with character through and through — in how they were made, how they taste, and in the connections they inspire.

We produced 97 cases.

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