

KINGSTON MILY

TASTING NOTES

2019 LUCERO SYRAH	
VARIETAL COMPOSITIO	N 100% Syrah
PRODUCTION	470 cases, organic
ALCOHOL	13.5 %
RELEASE DATE	April 2021
TYPE OF OAK	French Oak Barrel
MONTHS IN OAK	14 Months
RATING	97 pts, La Cav; 95 pts Tim Atkin

Kingston Family Vineyards is a boutique winery located on the farm that has been in our family for a century. We handcraft Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Syrah, and Sauvignon Blanc from our vineyards in Casablanca, Chile.

Situated between the cooler 2018 season and unusually warm 2020 season, 2019 was a fairly moderate year with more mild temperatures. As a result, the 2019 Lucero Syrah is somewhat less herbaceous than its 2018 counterpart, while expressing stronger floral notes such as lavender. Although the whole cluster fermentation process used for this wine tends to create a smoother, creamier, more relaxed feel in the mouth, the slightly cooler temperatures of 2019 lent more tension and energy than in 2020, creating a vibrancy distinct to the 2019 vintage. The result is what winemaker Amael Orrego dubs "the best Lucero we have ever made."

The 2019 Lucero Syrah contains a beautiful and complex balance of dark, red fruits with notes of herbs, minerals, and spice. Both full-bodied and refreshing, this Lucero is easy to pair with almost anything or drink by itself. Enjoy with a charcuterie board or other lean, cured meats, as well as with pasta or even a dark brisket.