LOCATI CELLARS

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2015 Dry Orange Muscat

100% Orange Muscat 100% Lonesome Spring Vineyard Alc. 14.5% by Vol.

Growing Season

Bud break arrived quite early from the typical schedule due to a warm spring some places as early as late March. The warmth led to accelerated growth and a great fruit set as it didn't rain much during the critical time of flowering. It was pretty close to the 2014 vintage that by June, we had full canopies and were three to four weeks ahead of schedule. Growing Degree Days for the year shattered records, putting Walla Walla and most of WA into a perfect and bountiful vintage. The summer continued its dry and hot pattern all the way through harvest. That was great news for our grapes as they could ripen without large drops in acidity, but sugars were high due to dehydration.

Vineyard

Columbia Valley AVA is the largest grape growing region in the state of Washington, consisting of 43,317 acres of vineyards. The Columbia Valley AVA equates to 98% of the total vineyard area planted in the state of Washington.

Lonesome Spring Ranch Vineyard, Columbia Valley AVA
Planted in 1996 by Collin Morrell, the farmland is around 110 acres and
harvest is completed by hand or machine. This vineyard sits at an elevation
between 890-1000ft. The location is mostly South and SE and the soil
provides Kootenay silt loam 2-8% slope and starbuck 5-15% slope. Before
this land was planted as a vineyard it was a pasture for apricots. This
vineyard has been providing Locati Cellars with great fruit year after year.

Barrel Composition

100% Stainless steel barrels

Tasting Notes

This wine begins with subtle aromas of pear, orange, fresh linen, and elderflower. Fresh on the nose, it continues with pear, lemongrass, and slight chalky minerality on the palate. A beautiful, fruity summer wine with moderate acidity, this wine also pairs well with scallops and oysters. Drink now through 2018. 3.65 pH and 5.3 g/L of titratable acidity.

Cases Produced: 95 Release Date: May 2016



