

# Marsanne

2013 | YAKIMA VALLEY



77% Marsanne  
18% Roussanne  
5% Viognier

Dutchman Vineyard Marsanne  
Olsen Ranch Roussanne  
Upland Vineyard Viognier

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

pH: 3.3

TA: 6.0 g/liter

RS: <0.5 g/liter

13% alcohol

319 cases produced



## Harvest and Winemaking

2014 was the warmest growing season on record with consistent hot temperatures throughout the summer and fall. Sunshine was abundant and rainfall was scarce. It was a nearly perfect vintage. The Roussanne was picked on Sept. 26, Marsanne was picked on October 3, and Viognier on Oct 10.

All grapes were hand harvested, hand sorted and pressed "whole cluster". The Marsanne, Roussanne and Viognier were fermented in stainless steel barrels. All three wine wines were fermented by EC 1118 yeast rather than native yeasts because the native yeasts do not like the cool fermentation temperature used in white wines.

All three wines were barreled stirred daily during fermentation to enhance the mouthfeel. After fermentation the wines were cold stabilized, filtered and blended.

Denise and Brett Isenhower founded their winery in 1999. They are committed to sustainable winemaking through low input farming, native yeast fermentation, natural corks, American made bottles, no capsules, and recycled paper labels.

## About Rhône Whites

Marsanne, Roussanne, & Viognier are from the Northern Rhône Valley of France. All are relatively rare in Washington State. We enjoy these wines as they pair well with the cuisines we enjoy (seafood, Thai, salads) and are unique. There is plenty of Chardonnay the world. Why make more?

## Tasting

In the glass the Marsanne is limpid with a light yellow hue. The aromas are of tangerine, meyer lemon, citrus rind, beeswax, and minerals. The Marsanne tastes of citrus fruits, beeswax, and minerals. The mouthfeel is fresh yet has mid-palette weight. Enjoy through 2018. 319 cases produced.

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