

# B. Leighton

## 2014 B. Leighton Syrah

Black pepper and wet rock. Dark, danky and expressive, what a wine! Black plum, charred meat, aged leather and spices. Finishes long on the palate with herbal notes that are reminiscent of wild mint. A f@#\$%ing great wine!

### Current & Past Scores

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#### 93 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

"The 2014 Syrah Olsen Brothers Vineyard checks in as 100% Syrah, all from rocky, volcanic soils, that was fermented with 100% whole cluster...This full-bodied, concentrated, low acid, sex-pot of a wine sports a deep ruby/purple color and terrific notes of liquid violets, pen ink, blueberry, graphite and hints of plums. Like all of Brennan's wines, it's impeccably made, has first-rate purity and is well worth its going rate."

#### 94 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (v2013)*

"Lastly, and from tiny yields, the 100-case 2013 Syrah Olsen Vineyard was fermented with 100% whole clusters and aged in 20% new puncheons for 18 months. Gamey, spice and complex, with gorgeous crème de cassis fruit and a touch of graphite, this beauty is full-bodied, layered and elegant, with ripe tannin, a stacked mid-palate and a great finish. This is a serious wine that will benefit from short-term cellaring and drink well through 2028."

### Vineyard

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**Olsen Brothers (100%):** Olsen Brothers is located on the Northwest bend of the Yakima River as it turns North at Red Mountain. The elevation averages about 1000 feet and the soils are sandy with broken basalt.

### Vintage

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2014 had an early spring and a wonderful, long summer with cool nights to help maintain great acidity in the grapes. Going into the Fall, temperatures cooled down quite a bit throughout the state, and we were able to hang the fruit for a long period of time before harvest. This combination allowed us to develop more complex flavors, while still maintaining the acidity to produce bright, focused wines.

### Blend

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100% Syrah

### Appellation

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Yakima Valley

### Production

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Yield: 2.3 tons per acre  
100% whole cluster pressed  
Yeast: native  
33 days on skins  
25% new French puncheons  
18 months barrel-aged on lees

### Wine Analysis

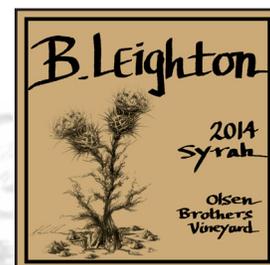
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5.6 g/L titratable acidity  
3.97 pH  
14.5% alcohol

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