

2020 BOSSMAN



V I T A L S

Varietals	Syrah 92%, Viognier 8%
Fermentation	100% native yeasts
Vineyards	John Sebastiano, Donnachadh, Watch Hill
Alcohol	14.5%
Barrels / Coopers	400L French oak barrels, 15% new
Barrel Aging	27 months
Rackings	Two
Fermentation	60% whole cluster, 100% native yeasts, 12 months on lees
Filtering / Fining	None
Bottled	February 2023
Total SO2 at bottling	< 65 ppm
Production	275 cases
Release	Winter 2023
Winery Retail	\$95

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What it is: Predominantly brooding Sta. Rita Hills' John Sebastiano and Donnachadh vineyards Syrah fermented, co-fermented with lovely Watch Hill Viognier, and 60% whole clusters.

What it's like: The determination of people who evidently know exactly what they intend to do and then do it is both fascinating and annoying, such as this wine, which pretty much told us how it wanted to be made... "fine! whatever, it's fine! you can be such layered generosity! Such a bossman, driving your Studebaker, smiling and letting the phone ring. You're also honest, and kind, so I can't argue with you..."

Backstory: The young Francois Truffaut was a big fan of Alfred Hitchcock, who was viewed merely as an entertainer at the time. Truffaut approached Hitchcock about doing a two-week long interview from which he made a book that highlighted Hitchcock's cinematic genius and helped to establish his well-earned stature as a serious filmmaker. 2020 Bossman is an homage to both men (who remained close friends to the end...the original bro-mance?).

Food: This Bossman is both energetic like Truffaut and authoritarian like Hitchcock, so classics like Boeuf Bourguignon or Coq au Vin!

Music: Secret Love, Ry Cooder \ The Peacocks, Bill Evans \ An Arc of Doves, Brian Eno \ Le Tourbillon, Georges Delerue \ Dream Gypsy, Evans & Hall \ If I had my Way, Rev. Gary Davis \ We'll meet again, Cash