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\$26.00	\$35.00	26%

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2014 School House Vineyard product-timed-pdf - Mescolanza Syrah Blend Spring Mountain - Cult Napa Producer, Screaming Price of \$26!!

Why We're Drinking It

A cult Napa producer that isn't focused on Cabernet? A producer that resides high up on Spring Mountain sourcing from vineyards planted in 1953? Cool kids, get those mustaches waxed because this is a deal you don't want to miss out on.

School House is a must for savvy wine collectors and aficionados, especially those with an affinity for small Napa producers — the hidden gems of the valley if you will. Instead of Cab, they're focused on Pinot, Zinfandel, Chardonnay and field-blend Syrahs. Yes, that Ridge style of wine where you ferment all the grapes together vs separately and blending after, crafted on the other side of the Mayacamas. 45 rows of Syrah, 5 rows of Grenache, 2 rows of Mourvèdre, the last of which was planted in 1953. How cool is that?

The wine is a beaming beauty of what Napa has to offer. Freshly crushed berries, dark red and purple fruits, beautifully perfumed notes of rose petals and lavender. It has deep mocha flavors and warm spice scents with a hint of cigar box. Clean, pure and bright, a bit reminiscent of fruit-forward Gigondas. Let it decant a bit and you'll simply swoon. Oh and small production, only 545 cases produced!

Besides this being an absolutely bonkers deal for a cult producer of this stature (\$26 bucks? Like what?), these wines can age with grace. Yes, we cracked a few of their wines from the 70s and they're still phenomenal. Get ready to be the envy of your wine snob friends once you show them this in your cellar. Hop on the deal!

Tasting Notes

Enjoy notes of freshly crushed berries, dark red and purple fruits, perfumed notes of rose petals and lavender. It's clean, pure and bright with deep, mocha, Kahlua-like undertones with minimal oak.

VARIETAL
Syrah
APPELLATION
Spring Mountain
ALCOHOL
13.40
SIZE
750ml
BLEND
Syrah

The Story to Know

During Prohibition followed by the Great Depression, many families moved away and abandoned their vineyards and prune orchards. John Gantner's father purchased the School House Vineyard property of 160 gross acres. Today the second generation, John M. Gantner and Nancy Walker, tackle all of the vineyard operations where they make their home. Their passion for the grapes they nurture coupled with the land is beautifully revealed in the expressions of the wines produced from the vineyard.

The vineyard takes its name from the 1880's one-room school house which graced the property until it was consumed by fire in the mid 1980s. That school house has lent its name to this fascinating and unique property which has quietly produced very small quantities of some of the most sought after Napa Valley wines since the mid-1950s. Steeped in Napa Valley history, School House is the ultimate cult wine producer, cult before cult was considered cool!

