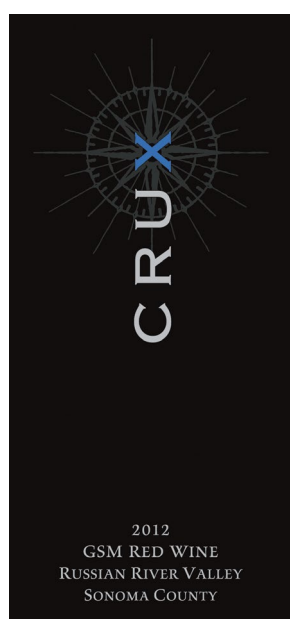


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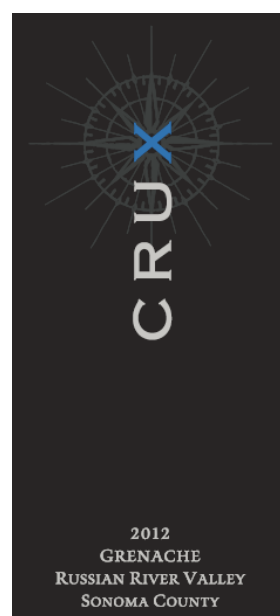
BUYING GUIDE



91 **Crux 2012 G-S-M (Russian River Valley).** A blend of 52% Grenache, 30% Syrah, 16% Mourvèdre, and 2% Petite Sirah — all rare finds in Pinot-heavy Russian River — this wine is aged in mostly neutral barrels, although a third of the Syrah sees time in new French oak. Spicy layers of anise and tar intermingle with balanced blackberry and black-cherry brightness. —V.B.

abv: 14.3%

Price: \$42



91 **Crux 2012 Grenache (Russian River Valley).** This wine also includes 10% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre and is treated similarly to the producer's larger-production GSM Blend. With a shock of menthol on the nose, it veers lean and high in acidity on the palate a taste of wild strawberry pleasantly consistent around suggestions of earthy game. —V.B.

abv: 13.9%

Price: \$45