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Sleight of Hand Cellars 2020 Spiders From Mars Syrah

Walla Walla AVA, Washington

Drinking Window: 2025-2031

The 2020 Spiders From Mars, a varietal Syrah from the Elevation vineyard, seduces from the first tilt of the glass, smoky and earthy, with crushed ashen rocks, grilled herbs and pine shavings adding a lovely freshness. This communicates amazing purity through its silken textures and vivid ripe black fruits, as a salty flourish mounts toward the close. Structured yet refined, this leaves smoky bacon and chalk dust offset by a twang of sour citrus. The Spiders From Mars is more vertical and focused than the rest of the Sleight of Hand Syrahs, yet it's packed full of so much character.

Eric Guido. Tasting Date: March 2023