



## 2014 Benhaim Mythos VHS

**Rating**

89

**Release Price**

\$150

**Drink Date**

2018 - 2030

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**Color:** Red**Type:** Table**Sweetness:** Dry**Type:** Table**Variety:** Proprietary BlendCabernet Franc , Merlot , Petite  
Sirah

The 2014 Mythos VHS is a blend of 50% Petite Sirah, 30% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc, aged for 24 months in new French oak. It comes in at 13.5% alcohol. This was sourced from the winery's own vineyard at Kfar Shammai on the eastern slope of Mount Meron in the Upper Galilee. The vines are at 700 to 800 meters above sea level. This has a very different character than the rest—credit the Petite Sirah, which gives this a focused demeanor and mutes the more familiar Bordeaux-grape flavors. It's a little sharper around the edges than the others and tends to handle the wood well. That said, like the others, the concentration is modest and the structure even more so. This drinks beautifully right now. It might improve over the next year or two, but it isn't likely to reward extended aging. While it is a lovely drink, the wine per se is not the problem. The price point will be the problem for most consumers.