



2014 TEMPESTADE RED BLEND

COLD CREEK VINEYARD, COLUMBIA VALLEY
LIMITED RELEASE



TASTING NOTES

“LONG TIME CLUB MEMBERS MAY REMEMBER TEMPESTADE AS A DARK, BROODING WINE. NOT FOR THIS VINTAGE; THE 2014 HAS HAD A MAKEOVER! OLD VINE PORTUGUESE VARIETIES TOURIGA (43%), SOUZAO (32%), TINTA CAO (15%), AND TINTA MADIERA (10%) FROM COLD CREEK VINEYARD WERE FERMENTED TOGETHER AS A FIELD BLEND, THEN AGED IN CONCRETE TO PRESERVE THE EXPLOSIVE FRUIT AND RICH MINERALITY. VIVA O VINHO!”


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WINEMAKER

VINTAGE

- 2014 in Eastern Washington was one of the warmest seasons in decades.
- The ripening period in September cooled to more typical weather for the region. In October temperatures rose again to one of the warmest October months on record.
- Overall 2014 was an ideal growing season; ripening was excellent for all varieties in all locations.

VINEYARDS

- Planted in 1973, the south-facing Cold Creek Vineyard is a warm, dry site with high heat accumulation.
- The low yielding old vines produce small clusters and small berries, resulting in intense varietal flavors and deep color.
- The site’s weak, loamy sand and gravel soils with low-water holding capacity produce moderate crops and concentrated grapes.
- Cold Creek Vineyard is LIVE and Salmon Safe certified.

WINEMAKING

- Ripe grapes were destemmed and sorted with a cutting-edge grape receiving and separation system designed to gently deliver fruit to the fermenters, allowing for pure varietal expression and soft mouthfeel.
- Gentle pumpovers were used to extract optimal flavor and color and minimize harsh tannins.
- Each individual fermentation tank is tasted daily to evaluate the development of the tannins and structure and find the right moment to drain the wine from the skins.
- Aged for 18 months in concrete tanks.

TECHNICAL DATA

TA	0.57 G/100 ML
pH	3.82
BLEND	43% TOURIGA NACIONAL, 32% SOUZÃO, 15% TINTO CÃO, 10% TINTA MADEIRA
% ALCOHOL	14.5%
CASES PRODUCED	865