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HORSE HEAVEN HILLS 2016 Limited Release Sémillon

VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2016 vintage experienced the best of both worlds with a hot spring and early summer, but also a cool fall season.
- Cooler temperatures in August and September, slowed down ripening and resulted in longer hang time for the grapes and the longest harvest on record in Washington State.
- Overall, 2016 saw very favorable growing conditions, producing wines with ripeness and elegance.

VINEYARD NOTES

- 100% of the blend came from Horse Heaven Hills vineyard.
- Warm, sunny days and cool evening temperatures create ideal conditions for intense aroma and flavor development in the ripening grapes.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Yeasts specifically designated for Sémillon were used to initiate the three-week fermentation and release varietal aromas.
- Aged in 60% stainless steel to preserve the Semillon's fresh, vibrant fruit character and 35% neutral oak.
- 35% aged sur lie for 4 months to integrate the fruit and oak flavors and provide a rich mouthfeel.

TASTING NOTES

"This year's Semillon was a stand-out! All of the fruit was sourced from our Horse Heaven Vineyard which is a cooler site that allows for extra hang time and flavor development. This Semillon is oily and rich while still retaining fruit, freshness and acidity." – Tracey Keller, winemaker

TA: 0.60 g/100mL

PH: 3.01

ALCOHOL: 12.5%

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.22 g/100mL

BLEND:

100% Sémillon