Chateau Michelle



2017

MUSCAT CANELLI

LIMITED RELEASE UP TO 1851 TOTAL CASES

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TECHNICAL DATA

TA	0.76 g/100 ml
рН	2.91
Residual Sugar	4.98 g/100 ml
Blend	100% Muscat Canelli
% Alcohol	11.5%
Cases produced	1,851
Food Pairings	Asian foods, light desserts, fresh fruit

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Cold Creek Vineyard, Columbia Valley Limited Release

VINTAGE

- The 2017 growing season was cooler and crop yields were lower than the previous two vintages.
- The cooler temperatures delayed ripening and helped to retain fresh fruit aromatics and mouthwatering acidity.
- Despite cold winter conditions, 2017 gave us concentrated wines with classic Washington state character.

VINEYARDS

- All of the fruit for our 2017 Muscat Canelli was picked entirely from our Cold Creek Vineyard.
- 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 inoculated with various strains of yeast to maximize complexity.
- Fermented in 100% stainless steel for 3 weeks to showcase the aromas.

TASTING NOTES

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Bob Bertheau Winemaker