# NORTHSTAR.



TA: 0.55 gm/100mL

PH: 3.64

ALCOHOL: 14.7%

BLEND: Merlot.

CASE PRODUCTION:

293

### COLUMBIA VALLEY

## 2017 Premier Merlot

#### VINTAGE NOTES

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

### VINEYARD NOTES

- Fruit from top vineyard sites were picked and fermented in separate small lots while awaiting selection for inclusion in Northstar Premier.
- In 2017, the lot that stood out was from Four Feathers Vineyards.
- Merlot from this site was chosen to meet the expectations of the creation of the wine.

### RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRINGS

• Cured meats, rich cheeses, beef tenderloin, seared duck, roasted leg of lamb.

#### **TASTING NOTES**

Enjoy now or for many years to come, as this wine will age gracefully in your cellar. This limited production offering is hand-crafted with love to showcase the best that Washington Merlot has to offer.