



TA: 0.56 g/100 ml

PH: 3.87

ALCOHOL: 14.9%

BLEND:

48% Syrah, 36% Mourvedre, 15% Grenache, 1% Viognier

COLUMBIA VALLEY

2018 Limited Release Austral Red Wine

VINTAGE NOTES

- 2018 was another stellar growing season and vintage in Washington.
- Warm spring temperatures were followed by mild conditions throughout the growing season allowing for extended hang time and flavor development.
- Warm fall days allowed for full ripeness and color, while cool Washington nights helped maintain crisp natural acidity.

VINEYARD NOTES

- 52% of the fruit was sourced from the Wahluke Slope; a warm region known for ripe, jammy reds and complex Rhone based varietals.
- 34% of the fruit was sourced from Yakima Valley; a region known for sunny days and cool evening temperatures to develop aromas and flavors.
- 8% of the fruit was sourced from Horse Heaven Hills; an area known for gentle south facing slopes, sandy soils and a long growing season.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Grapes were de-stemmed and sorted with a cutting-edge grape receiving and sorting system designed to gently remove any stems or leaves.
- The juice was aged in 33% puncheon barrels.
- Oak aging consisted of 93% French Oak with 21% new and 7% American Oak with 2% new.

TASTING NOTES

“The best vintages produce complex wines and 2018 was exceptional-especially for Rhone-style varieties. The 2018 Austral is fresh and wild with fascinating notes of green peppercorns, rhubarb and raspberry tea. The midpalate is broad with ample ripe fruit. Sweet spice and currant notes extend the finish.” -Tristan Butterfield