



WALLA WALLA VALLEY

2018 Sharilee Petit Verdot

ADDITIONAL NOTES

The names given to Spring Valley Vineyard wines are a tribute to the family members who have succeeded in farming the same land where the vineyard and winery now flourish. This wine is named for Sharilee (pronounced Shar' a lee) Corkrum Derby, granddaughter of Spring Valley founder Uriah Corkrum.

VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2018 vintage at Spring Valley was extremely compressed over a 4 week period. The winter was somewhat warm compared to 2017.
- Spring was very wet and summer was very hot and dry contributing to low yields.
- Occasional fires in surrounding areas filtered the sun light and delayed Harvest. First pick was on September 5 and last pick was on October 8.

VINEYARD NOTES

- Spring Valley Vineyard lies northeast of Walla Walla, amid the picturesque wheat fields. The initial block of Merlot was planted in 1993.
- The vines follow the north-south slope of the hills in vertical rows.
- Every grape is tended by hand, including crop thinning, leaf pulling, and harvesting.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Spring Valley Vineyard fruit is hand-picked, hand-sorted and gently de-stemmed by gravity from the "Steep Hill" and "Cap Vineyards".
- During the fermentation, each tank is tasted daily until the Winemaker decides it is time to press using wooden cage basket presses.
- The wine is transferred into barrels for secondary fermentation and gets racked several times.

TASTING NOTES

This Petit Verdot was picked very ripe and has some great intensity. It has plenty of pomegranate flavors as well as ripe strawberries. Big structured wine but still the tannins and finish is soft and seamless.

TA: 0.57 gm/100mL

PH: 3.92

ALCOHOL: 14.7%

BLEND:

Petit Verdot.