

Chateau Ste. Michelle
ESTD. 1987
LIMITED RELEASE

CINSAUT

YAKIMA VALLEY

2019

LIMITED RELEASE UP TO **192**
TOTAL CASES

Tristan Butterfield
TRISTAN BUTTERFIELD WINEMAKER

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TA: 0.50 g/100 mL

PH: 3.88

ALCOHOL: 14.9%

BLEND: 78% Cinsaut, 12% Grenache, 8% Syrah, 2% Counoise

CASE PRODUCTION:
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VINTAGE NOTES

- Winter temperatures were average preceding the 2019 growing season resulting in little to no vine damage and bud break occurred normally.
- The abundance of snow in February provided ample soil moisture. Warm spring temperatures created excellent conditions for canopy growth and early fruit development.
- Summertime temperatures were mild followed by cooler fall temperatures which were ideal for maintaining acidity and developing beautiful fruit flavors and aromas.

VINEYARD NOTES

- 86% was sourced from our Yakima Valley, known for sunny days and cool evening temperatures that create conditions for intense aroma and flavor.
- The remaining fruit was sourced from the Columbia Valley and Horse Heaven Hills AVAs.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Ripe grapes were destemmed, crushed and inoculated with a variety of yeasts for maximum complexity.
- Daily gentle pumpovers were used to extract optimal flavor and color.
- 43% of the wine was aged in large French oak vats unfiltered for 7 months.

TASTING NOTES

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