



#### MALBEC

COLUMBIA VALLEY

2019

LIMITED RELEASE UP TO

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BOB BERTHEAU WINEMAKER

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TA: 0.55 g/100 mL

PH: 3.88

ALCOHOL: 14.8%

BLEND: 95% Malbec, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon

CASE PRODUCTION:

909

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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.
- After late snow, 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

- Sourced predominately from our estate vineyards, Cold Creek Vineyard (62%) and Canoe Ridge Estate (29%).
- The remaining fruit was sourced from Indian Wells Vineyard (9%) in the Wahluke Slope AVA to round out the blend.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

- Daily gentle pumpovers were used to extract optimal flavor and color and minimize harsh tannins.
- Aerating racking takes place during barrel aging to soften tannins and enhance mouthfeel.
- Aged 18 months in a combination of 40% new French oak and 60% old French oak.

## TASTING NOTES

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