



RED MOUNTAIN

2019 Component Collection Merlot

ADDITIONAL NOTES

A partnership between Marchesi Antinori of Tuscany and Chateau Ste. Michelle of Washington, Col Solare's mission is to unite the unique winemaking cultures of these two esteemed regions to produce world-class wines from the best fruit in Red Mountain.

VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2019 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.
- Harvest began for Merlot on August 31st, with grapes full of dark fruit flavor and silky tannins.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- After sorting, grapes were gently crushed, with lots fermented separately on the skins for an average of 15 days.
- Both small bin and tank fermentation was used with rack and return style maceration techniques to extract the best flavors.
- Racking occurred every three months for the first year of the 22-month aging period, every four months after. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

"Dark in color, this Merlot has fragrant aromas of spices, dried fruits, and black currants, with a rich mouthfeel and long powerful finish." – Darel Allwine, Winemaker

TA: 0.54g/100mL

PH: 3.99

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

BLEND: 95% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon

CASE PRODUCTION:

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