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CABERNET SAUVIGNON



TA: 0.55 g/100mL

PH: 3.93

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

BLEND:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

HORSE HEAVEN HILLS 2020 Mimi Cabernet Sauvignon

VINTAGE NOTES

- Slightly warmer than average winter temperatures proceeding the 2020 growing season resulted in little to no vine damage with normal bud break.
- Warm spring temperatures created excellent conditions for canopy growth and early fruit development.
- A mild summer with very few periods of excessive heat and cooler fall temperatures created ideal conditions for developing beautiful fruit flavors and aromas.

VINEYARD NOTES

- Sourced from Cabernet Sauvignon fruit from vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills AVA.
- The Horse Heaven Hills AVA is home to one quarter of Washington's planted acres.
- Many vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills are planted on south-facing slopes, providing extended sun exposure, allowing for optimal conditions.

HISTORY NOTES

- Established in 1934, Chateau Ste. Michelle pioneered vinifera grape growing in Washington state.
- The winery owns 3,500 acres in the Columbia Valley of eastern Washington, including Horse Heaven, Canoe Ridge Estate and Cold Creek vineyards.
- Chateau Ste. Michelle's award-winning wines can be found in all 50 states and more than 100 countries worldwide.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Ripe grapes were destemmed and sorted with a cutting-edge grape receiving and separation system designed to gently deliver fruit to fermenters.
- Each individual fermentation tank is tasted daily to evaluate the development of the tannins and structure of the wine.
- Aged 18 months in 36% new American oak, 10% new French oak and 54% neutral oak barrels.

RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRINGS

· Braised or grilled beef, lamb chops, duck breast, and veal.

TASTING NOTES

"Discover Mimi, a sophisticated Cab sourced from Washington's Horse Heaven Hills. Mimi captures the bright fruit and intricate spice and polished finish for which the Horse Heaven Hills is renowned." - Brian Mackey, Winemaker