

TA: 0.54 g/100 mL

PH: 3.89

ALCOHOL: 14.9%

BLEND: 82% Grenache, 12% Syrah, 6% Mourvèdre

CASE PRODUCTION:

200

## WAHLUKE SLOPE

# 2021 Reserve Grenache

## VINTAGE NOTES

- 2021 was a very warm growing season which resulted in intensely concentrated flavors in the wines.
- Our typical cool nights during harvest helped us retain the wonderful natural acidity Washington is known for.
- The season produced red wines dark in color and dense in concentration and white wines with varietal character and bright vibrancy.

## VINEYARD NOTES

- James Vineyard is grown on 140 acres in the heart of the Wahluke Slope.
- The site is on a gradual slope with rocky soil which optimizes heat throughout the season, resulting in ripe concentrated flavors.
- James Vineyard is a warm dry site where irrigation is controlled. This along with meticulous vineyard practices makes for superb Grenache fruit.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

- Fruit was handpicked at the peak of ripeness, destemmed, sorted and placed into small open-top fermenters uncrushed.
- Lots were placed in neutral French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation. Aging occurred for 18 months.
- Free run made up the majority of the blend and a small amount of the basket press was remarried into the blend to bring structure & complexity.

## TASTING NOTES

Beautiful floral notes dominate the aromatics with a layer of fresh strawberry and earthy undertones. The palate is rich with layers of spice, dark chocolate, and vibrant red fruit with a long lingering finish. – Will Wiles, Winemaker