

Chateau Ste Michelle  
ESTD 1997

BOREAL  
SYRAH

COLUMBIA VALLEY

2021

LIMITED RELEASE UP TO **1221**  
TOTAL CASES

*Tristan Butterfield*  
TRISTAN BUTTERFIELD WINEMAKER

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TA: 0.55 g/100 mL

PH: 4.13

ALCOHOL: 14.7%

BLEND: 96% Syrah, 4% Viognier

CASE PRODUCTION:

1221

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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

- Sourced from three Columbia Valley regions—Horse Heaven Hills (46%), Walla Walla Valley (31%), and Yakima Valley (23%).
- The Yakima Valley's sunny days and cool evenings foster the development of intense aromatics in the ripening grapes.
- Fruit from Horse Heaven Hills contributes a velvety texture, while Walla Walla Valley grapes add a distinctive earthy character to the wine.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- For select lots, grape stems were left in fermentation to develop floral and spice aromas.
- Whole cluster Viognier and Syrah were fermented together - a classic Northern Rhone technique referred to as 'co-fermentation'.
- Aged for 18 months in neutral French oak to retain fruit purity.

TASTING NOTES

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