



WALLA WALLA VALLEY

## 2021 Cabernet Franc

### 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

- This limited production wine showcases Cabernet Franc, which grows particularly well in the Walla Walla appellation.
- Cabernet Franc from Minnick Hills, Cabernet Sauvignon from Spring Valley, and Merlot from Four Feathers were used to create the blend.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

- Grapes were destemmed, crushed leaving 40% whole berries, and the fruit was inoculated with yeast to begin the fermentation.
- The must was punched down daily during fermentation, and was then racked into barrels to undergo malolactic fermentation.
- Racking occurred every three months for clarity during the 16-month aging process. 100% French Oak with 45% new barrels.

### RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRINGS

- Beef Bordeaux, Grilled Portobello Mushrooms

### TASTING NOTES

This lush and elegant wine offers aromas of olive, peppercorn, and spice leading into flavors of cherry, raspberry, toasted oak and vanilla. - David Merfeld, Winemaker

TA: 0.53 g/100mL

PH: 3.85

ALCOHOL: 14.4%

BLEND: 77% Cabernet Franc, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 8% Merlot

CASE PRODUCTION:

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