# NORTHSTAR.



TA: 0.53 g/100mL

PH: 3.85

ALCOHOL: 14,5%

BLEND: 58% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon,

14% Cabernet Franc, and 8% Malbec

CASE PRODUCTION:

398

#### WALLA WALLA VALLEY

# 2021 Red Wine Blend Walla Walla Valley

## 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

- The fruit for this red blend was sourced 100% from some of Walla Walla's best vineyard sites.
- Anna Marie and Spring Valley provided the Merlot. Cabernet Sauvignon sourced from Spring Valley. Minnick Hills added Cabernet Franc.
- And Malbec from Northstar Estate rounded out the blend. This blend provides concentrated flavors, structure, and complexity.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

- Grapes were destemmed, crushed and inoculated with Premier Cuvee 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 20-month aging process.
  Aged in 100% French oak with 33% new barrels.

# RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRINGS

· roasted lamb, prime rib, aged cheeses, wood fired pizza and street tacos

### TASTING NOTES

Lush and elegant. This limited production red wine from Walla Walla showcases notes of cherry, raspberry, and blackberry leading in to a long and satisfying toasted marshmallow and vanilla finish. – David Merfeld, Winemaker