

TA: 0.54 g/100 mL

PH: 3.79

ALCOHOL: 14.8%

BLEND: 49% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon,

21% Cabernet Franc

CASE PRODUCTION:

3100

COLUMBIA VALLEY

2022 Artist Series Red Wine

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Jaq Chartier's paintings explore the feeling of transience and impermanence that hides just under the surface of the day to day. Inspired by wonderous images from science like chromatography and DNA gel electrophoresis, the artist embraces her curiosity and finds beauty there.

VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2022 season started with an unusually cool and wet spring. We saw below average temperatures from April until July which caused a delay in ripening.
- Our harvest started two weeks later compared to the average vintage. All the moisture in the ground helped develop beautiful canopies with a nice size crop.
- The quality of fruit was outstanding and though we had to harvest select grapes earlier than expected, the wines are very promising, showing nice acidity, and great flavors.
- Both our white and red wines are showing well, and we cannot wait to see how they develop as they continue to age.

VINEYARD NOTES

- The fruit is sourced from five of the most iconic sites from the Columbia Valley, making it a true portrayal of the artistry of Washington Wine.
- This blend is a combination of Canoe Ridge Estate (45%), Kelly Vineyard (21%), Cold Creek (18%), Four Feathers (14%), and Dead Canyon (2%).
- Warm, sunny days and cool evening temperatures create ideal conditions for intense aroma and flavor development in the ripening grapes.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Daily gentle pumpovers during fermentation help extract optimal flavor and color.
- Each fermentation lot is tasted daily to modify extraction techniques and find the right moment to drain the wine off its skins.
- Aged for 18 months in 23% New French oak, 74% Neutral French oak and 3% Concrete.

TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Artist Series blend is nuanced, perfumed, and will age for decades. Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon balance each other perfectly to offer cassis, black cherry and red currant. The Cabernet Franc rounds out the blend with notes of dried herbs and pepper. The finish is smooth, silky and persistent. - Katie Nelson, Winemaker