

INDIAN WELLS

2022 | MERLOT

As the state's founding winery, Chateau Ste. Michelle combines a terroir-driven style with boutique winemaking practices to create expressive, world-class wines that reflect the distinct character of Washington's Columbia Valley.

TASTING NOTES

The Indian Wells Merlot is barrel aged for a minimum of eighteen months and is an expansive wine with supple red fruit flavors and notes of nutmeg and clove on the finish.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Fruit from each vineyard are fermented in oak, concrete and stainless-steel with different yeast to create layers of complexity. Each year we use barrels from over 50 coopers in different sizes, ages and toasts levels which create complexity in the wines. Aging averages between 18 to 22 months determined by constant tasting as the blend develops in barrel.

VINEYARD / AVA

Nestled in the rain shadow of Washington's Cascade mountain range, lies the Columbia Valley, a region where abundant sunlight, cool nights, and volcanic soils converge to create wines of remarkable complexity.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 vintage started with an unusually cool and wet spring. We saw below average temperatures from April until July which caused a delay in ripening. All the moisture in the ground helped develop beautiful canopies with a nice size crop. The quality of fruit was outstanding, and the wines are showing nice acidity and great flavors.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

TA : 0.55 g/100mL

PH : 3.79

ALCOHOL : 14.9%

BLEND : 85% Merlot, 15% Syrah

WINEMAKER

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