

Chateau Ste. Michelle
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COLD CREEK RED BLEND

COLD CREEK VINEYARD
2019

LIMITED RELEASE UP TO **1284**
TOTAL CASES

Tristan Butterfield
TRISTAN BUTTERFIELD WINEMAKER

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TA: 0.58 g/100 mL

PH: 3.77

ALCOHOL: 14.8%

BLEND: 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 27% Merlot,
24% Malbec, 9% Syrah

CASE PRODUCTION:
1284

COLUMBIA VALLEY

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VINTAGE NOTES

- Winter temperatures were average preceding the 2019 growing season resulting in little to no vine damage and bud break occurred normally.
- Warm spring temperatures created excellent conditions for canopy growth and early fruit development.
- Summertime temperatures were mild followed by cooler fall temperatures which were ideal for maintaining acidity and developing beautiful fruit flavors and aromas.

VINEYARD NOTES

- Planted in 1973, the south-facing Cold Creek Vineyard is a warm, dry site with high heat accumulation.
- The low yielding old vines produce small clusters and small berries, resulting in intense varietal flavors and deep color.
- Cold Creek typically is one of the earliest vineyards in the region to ripen and is LIVE and Salmon Safe certified.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Gentle pumpovers were used to extract optimal flavor and color and minimize harsh tannins.
- Each individual fermentation tank is tasted daily to evaluate the development of the tannins and structure.
- Aged for 18 months in 39% New French oak, 8% New American oak and 53% Neutral oak.

TASTING NOTES

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