



2017 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN MALBEC

RED MOUNTAIN ORIGINALS

In 1975 our family planted the first vineyard on Red Mountain, an area now known for producing some of the world's most powerful, opulent wines of distinction. For three generations we've worked together on our farm to grow exciting, vineyard-driven wines that capture the essence of Red Mountain.

VINEYARD PROFILE

We have just 2.55 acres of Malbec planted at our estate Heart of the Hill vineyard on Red Mountain. The varietal thrives here, producing wines of uncommon depth and complexity. The fruit is highly sought after by Washington winemakers for its strong varietal typicity and opaque coloration.

WINE PROFILE

Malbec has recently been “discovered” by the new world wine-drinking public as a superb stand-alone cultivar for fruit-forward, dark, approachable wines with lots of depth. This certainly holds true on Red Mountain, where plantings are relatively young but already exhibiting a lot of character. A small Cabernet Sauvignon component—also from Heart of the Hill—adds layering and tannin.

VINTAGE NOTES

Heat accumulation in 2017 tracked slightly lower than the extreme highs during 2016 and 2015, and a wet spring resulted in higher overall precipitation when viewed from an annual perspective. The long, warm summer was prototypical for the area, resulting in delightful wines with strong varietal typicity.

STATISTICS

APPELLATION //

100% Red Mountain AVA, 100% Estate Grown and Bottled

VINEYARD SOURCES //

100% Heart of the Hill

VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

87% Malbec, 13% Cabernet Sauvignon

CASE PRODUCTION //

386 cases, 12 x 750 mL, Bottled February 2020

pH // 3.8 TA // 5.03 g/L ALCOHOL // 14.5%

“This just might be a pretty damned good place to grow wine grapes.”

- JOHN WILLIAMS, CIRCA 1970.



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