

# HEADTURNER

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2018 HORSE HEAVEN HILLS CHARDONNAY

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*"I'm proud to have been making wines in Washington for over 20 years. That experience – walking the vineyards, working the barrel rooms, and often ignoring the naysayers – has shaped me as a winemaker. Headturner is a chance to express my craft and my style, through the lens of this landscape I am so connected to."*

— Holly Turner, Winemaker

## VINEYARD

The Horse Heaven Hills AVA is a winegrowing region bound by the Yakima Valley AVA to the north and the Columbia River to the south. Located in the greater Columbia Valley, soil types in this AVA are silt loam that drain efficiently allowing for precise irrigation management. Destiny Ridge Vineyard faces south perched high on the bluffs overlooking the Columbia River. This vineyard's proximity to the constant cool river breezes help moderate the hot summer temperatures, allowing for the development of rich flavors in harmony with vibrant acidity.

## VINTAGE NOTES

A mild, wet winter led into a cool, wet spring. With budbreak progressing normally, June brought back the rain. The summer months of July and August warmed up significantly, with daytime temperatures reaching over 100°F but a nice cooling effect in the evenings helped to maintain balance. September revealed ideal conditions leading us to a beautiful harvest.

## TASTING NOTES

The 2018 Headturner Horse Heaven Hills Chardonnay has rich aromas of buttered brioche, fresh pineapple and ripe golden delicious apples. These aromatics lead to a beautifully balanced mid-palate with lush flavors of lemon curd and butterscotch. This chardonnay finishes with full-bodied elegance and is sure to be a Headturner.

## SPECIFICATIONS

**Vineyard:** 100% Destiny Ridge Vineyard, Horse Heaven Hills AVA

**Aging:** 21 months in 100% French Oak; 50% new for 12 months then 100% neutral French oak for 9 months. New cooperage includes Francois Freres, Ana, Damy & Mercurey

**Alcohol:** 14.1% | **pH:** 3.50 | **TA:** 5.4 g/L | **6-pk Cases Produced:** 1,888



“My goal is to create wines that are unapologetic expressions of the places that produce them, representing everything I love about Washington wine. -H.T.”