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# 2021 MALBEC-MERLOT RED MOUNTAIN

# VINEYARDS & VARIETAL COMPOSITION

53% Malbec, 47% Merlot 100% Red Mountain

### APPELLATION

Red Mountain is the smallest appellation in Washington State and one of the warmest with broad, southwest facing slopes. Lacking in rainfall and soil nutrients, you would assume this was an inhospitable place to grow anything. But sure enough, grapes love this place and so do we. The fruit from Red Mountain produces deep, brooding and assertive wines.

## VINTAGE NOTES

The growing season of 2021 was a hot one here in Washington. With spiking temperatures throughout most of the spring and summer months, we watered abundantly to keep the vines content throughout the season. We picked our red varietals between September 15th and October 5th.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

A match made in wine heaven: Malbec and Merlot are just one of those blends that work so well on so many levels. The combination of flavors, textures and aromatics creates a wine that is delicious, age worthy and complex. The 2021 Malbec-Merlot with juicy bramble berry and bright cherry give this unique blend its diverse character. Lush dark fruit flavors give depth to the mid-palate and elegant tannins softly envelope the finish.

## SPECIFICATIONS

AGING:	15 months in 71% new French oak
pH:	3.73
TA:	6.0 g/L
ALCOHOL:	14.0 %
BOTTLING DATE:	January 26. 2023
PRODUCTION:	168 Cases