

# Mourvèdre

**LABEL:** SMALL LOT

**AVA:** HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

**VIN:** 2019



## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Notes of cranberry, strawberry, and vanilla create layers of complexity in this wine. Powdery tannins and bright acidity provide great texture, body and a long pleasing finish.

## VINEYARD SOURCING

The fruit for this wine is grown at our acclaimed Spice Cabinet Vineyard in the Horse Heaven Hills. This vineyard sits on a southeast slope above the Columbia River. The orientation of the block allows for morning sun exposure of the fruit, while avoiding the intense afternoon rays.

## GROWING SEASON

2019 was a cooler vintage which allowed for even ripening and flavor development. This lent to great acidity and fresh fruit aromas. The consistent temperate conditions allowed for an elegant style of grape maturation.

## WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested and sorted in the vineyards with our "Selective Harvester" to allow for maximum hangtime and flavor development. The fruit was not crushed in order to preserve as much whole-berry as possible. We fermented the fruit in stainless steel tanks with a combination of pumpovers and rack & returns (délestage) to control extraction and flavors. After fermentation, the wine was racked to neutral barrels for malolactic fermentation. The wine was barrel aged for 20 months.

## TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills

Blend: 89% Mourvedre, 11% Syrah

Alcohol: 14.5%

T.A: 0.45 g/100 ml

pH: 3.90

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