

Cabernet Franc

LABEL: SMALL LOT

AVA: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

VIN: 2021



WINEMAKER'S NOTES:

Our inaugural release, this wine is a true representation of Cabernet Franc with notes of cherry and cranberry, accentuated with subtleties of dill and bramble. The characteristics of this wine are rounded with a good mouthfeel and smooth, long finish.

VINEYARD SOURCING

The fruit for this wine is grown at our acclaimed Estate vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills. Sourced from our Spice East and Eagle & Plow vineyards.

GROWING SEASON

The 2021 vintage was warmer than average. We experienced extremely high temperatures in June and July. The crop was lighter than expected with smaller clusters and lower numbers of berries. Mid to late October brought a lot of rain, but fortunately for us we were able to bring in all the fruit before the rain. Our 2021 vintage is highly concentrated and although a lighter yield year, it will be one for the books.

WINEMAKING

These grapes were sorted in the vineyard with the selective harvest on our Pellenc harvesters. The fruit was not crushed in order to preserve as much whole-berry as possible. At the winery, individual lots were fermented in open tops with twice daily punchdowns to allow gentle extraction of color and tannins. This wine was aged for 20 months in 15% New American Oak.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills

Blend: 75% Cab Franc, 16% Cab Sauv, 5% Petit Verdot, 4% Malbec

Alcohol: 15.7%

T.A: 0.5 g/100 ml

pH: 4.07

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