

CANVASBACK

2018 WASHINGTON STATE RED MOUNTAIN SYRAH

With a dry, desert-like climate, ideal southwest-facing slopes, and significant day and nighttime temperature swings, Red Mountain produces wines of unparalleled depth and structure. Crafted using grapes from Red Mountain's most exceptional vineyards, including Les Gosses and Red Heaven, this robust and alluring Syrah offers luxurious layers of blackberry, blueberry and anise, underscored by sophisticated notes of granite minerality and savory layers of grilled meat and dried herbs.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2018 growing season produced one of the finest vintages of the past decade. After a warm spring that resulted in an early budbreak, the early summer weather turned somewhat cool ensuring slow, gentle ripening of the fruit. A perfectly timed return to warm weather in July and August spurred a final push towards ripeness. As we began preparing for harvest, the days were cool and rain free, allowing us to pick each vineyard and block exactly when we wished. The resulting wines are dark and generous, balancing supple, polished textures with age-worthy structures that underscore the lush intensity of the dark-berried fruit flavors.



WINEMAKING NOTES

From its near-opaque color to its alluring fruit and fascinating savory undertones, this wine offers remarkable depth and richness. Aromas of blueberry and wild blackberry leap from the glass, followed by sophisticated layers of pink peppercorn, roast beef, graphite, loamy earth and violets. On the palate, the entry is juicy and flowing, with plush, supportive tannins and hints of minerality and spice framing the seductive fruit flavors throughout a long, luxurious finish.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Red Mountain
VINEYARDS	Red Heaven Vineyard & Les Gosses Vineyard
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Syrah
OAK PROFILE & AGING	31% new French oak, 53% second vintage, 26% neutral
KEY COOPERS	Orion, DAMY, Boutes
ALCOHOL	15.1%
PH	3.89
ACIDITY	0.60 g/100 ml
SELECTION	Blended after the end of malolactic fermentation, this wine racked clean from lees and racked twice before bottling, after a total of 17 months in oak.

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