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2018 KLIPSUN VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

With ideal soils and a dry desert climate, Red Mountain produces some of the most compelling and distinctive red wines in the New World. Situated at the western edge of Red Mountain, on a bluff overlooking the Yakima River, Klipsun is a warm and windswept site that yields profoundly concentrated Cabernet Sauvignons. Made from vines planted in 1984 and 1989, this block and barrel selection of our finest wines from Klipsun Vineyard display alluring perfumed aromas and gorgeous layers of black cherry, red plum, sarsaparilla, cigar box and sweet tobacco leaf.

VINTAGE NOTES

2018 offered near-perfect growing conditions from bud-break until the end of harvest. After a warm April, and an early budbreak, May and June turned cool, providing ample time to prune the vines through careful shoot selection. July and August brought a return to classically warm Washington weather, without any noteworthy heat stress. From the beginning of September onwards the weather was ideal for harvest, with no rain, and sunny days with temperatures ranging from the high-70s to the low 80s. A slightly warmer-than-average year overall, 2018 was an exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon vintage, yielding impeccably balanced wines with depth, energy and beautiful fruit intensity.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Luscious, fruit forward and indulgent in texture, the Klipsun Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon showcases extraordinarily polished tannins, and beautifully saturated layers of fruit that permeate this stunning wine from start to finish. On the nose, effusive aromas of lavender, marionberry, plum jam, apricot and baking spices hint at this wine's juicy, mouth-coating richness. The palate is plush and shapely, with sophisticated notes of baker's cocoa, dark, loamy earth, and cardamom adding nuance to the generous fruit flavors as they flow to a long, satisfying finish.

- Made from the famed 1989 and 1984-planted blocks of Cabernet Sauvignon at Klipsun Vineyard.

WINEMAKING

VINEYARD	Klipsun Vineyard	KEY COOPERS	Taransaud, Orion
APPELLATION	Red Mountain	ALCOHOL	14.8%
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Malbec, 1% Merlot	PH	3.82
OAK PROFILE & AGING	20 month Oak aging, 94% new oak, 6% neutral oak, 100% French oak	ACIDITY	0.58g/100ml
SELECTION	We blended in the Malbec immediately after pressing off the 1989-block Cabernet Sauvignon, with a subsequent lot and barrel blending at first racking. Barrel selections were made at subsequent rackings for focus and polish.		



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