

# CANVASBACK®

## 2018 LONGWINDS 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 near the top of Red Mountain at an elevation of 1,100 feet, our Longwinds Estate Vineyard features an ideal southwest exposure, gently rolling hillsides, and thin, sandy loam soils. Offering a graceful and dynamic expression of Red Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon, this block and barrel selection of our finest estate fruit is poised and polished, with lovely floral aromatics, supple fine-grained tannins and lush red fruit flavors of raspberry, cherry and wild strawberry.

### 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

The eagerly anticipated debut bottling from the Longwinds Estate Vineyard offers an effusive nose of Kirsch, cherry compote, orange marmalade and cinnamon, with sophisticated secondary aromas of calla lilies and sage. On the palate, luxurious flavors of wild strawberry and ripe red fruit dominate, gliding across rich, velvety tannins. Though beautifully plush and concentrated, the finish offers lovely grip and energy, with grenadine flavors comingling with hints of herbs, desert air and pink peppercorns.

- This wine represents our first bottling of our own Longwinds Estate Vineyard on Red Mountain, planted in 2014. Vines were 5 years old in vintage 2018, and displayed unusual maturity for a vineyard this young.

### WINEMAKING

<b>VINEYARD</b>	Longwinds Vineyard
<b>APPELLATION</b>	Red Mountain
<b>VARIETAL COMPOSITION</b>	98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Merlot
<b>OAK PROFILE &amp; AGING</b>	20 month Oak aging, 88% new oak, 12% neutral oak, 100% French oak
<b>KEY COOPERS</b>	Taransaud, Seguin Moreau
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14.8%
<b>PH</b>	3.76
<b>ACIDITY</b>	0.61g/100ml



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