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2020 GRAND PASSAGE RED MOUNTAIN WASHINGTON STATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

For those who prize purity, concentration and layered complexity, our Grand Passage Cabernet Sauvignon embodies the essence of the Red Mountain region of Washington State. With a dry, desert-like climate, ideal southwest-facing slopes, and significant day and nighttime temperature swings, this renowned appellation yields wines of unparalleled depth and structure. Crafted using grapes from the very finest vineyards, Grand Passage represents the best of Red Mountain.

VINTAGE NOTES

A cold, dry winter on Red Mountain was followed by an equally cool spring, which led to a slightly later-than-normal budbreak and bloom. Following mid-June rains that significantly reduced the size of the crop, the weather turned hot in July and August, and we began picking our Syrah, Merlot and Malbec the first week of September. While the outbreak of wildfires in Oregon was a concern, after travelling more than 200 miles to Red Mountain, the impact of the smoke was minimal, and we were careful to exclude any impacted grapes. Instead, the driving characteristic of the vintage was the low yields, which despite the cool weather allowed the grapes to get beautifully ripe, producing wines with dark colors, plush creamy textures and rich, vibrant flavors.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The 2020 Grand Passage is an epic wine that marries richness and finesse with undercurrents of umami-driven indulgence. Aromas of brambly blackberry, huckleberry and cassis hover above the glass, with a distinctive mineral vein and hints of juniper, cedar and sage adding complexity. On the palate, a powerful core of dark berry flavors glide across silky tannins, with savory notes and seamless acidity contributing to a rich, sophisticated finish.

WINEMAKING

VINEYARD	Quintessence Vineyard
APPELLATION	Red Mountain, Washington State
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
OAK PROFILE & AGING	Aged 19 months in 100% French oak 85% new, 15% neutral
KEY COOPERS	Orion, Taransaud
ALCOHOL	14.5%
РН	3.86
ACIDITY	0.55 g/100 ml



