



2017 ARIDISOL RED COLUMBIA VALLEY

Daven Lore
winery

CASES PRODUCED 117

WINEMAKER NOTES

I started off wanting to make another Rhône blend. After pulling together this blend of three (Syrah, Mourvèdre, and Grenache) the wine was lacking the round and fleshy middle palette that I really like in our Aridisol. So, I turned to Malbec to deliver the savory flavors. With Malbec, I have a number of choices since I source Malbec fruit from the Horse Heaven Hills, Yakima Valley and the Columbia Valley each AVA (American viticulture area) has its unique twist on this grape. The Columbia Valley won and so did the blend! Big and rich flavors burst out of glass: dark tree ripened plum, blackcurrant and blackberry with a cobbler quality of vanilla and bread. The Rhône part of the blend delivers the spice of mint and approachable tannins that have been softened by the Malbec. Hints of bacon and milk chocolate make this a wine that you will spend much of your time enjoying the heady aromas before you even take that first sip.

Gordon Taylor, Winemaker

VINEYARD

Location: Newhouse Vineyards, Snipes Mountain (Syrah)

Planted: 1999 **Soil:** Hardwood-Burke-Wielhl Silt loam

Location: Lonesome Spring Ranch, Yakima Valley (Grenache)

Planted: 2006 **Soil:** Scootney silt loam

Location: Arther's Vineyard, Columbia Valley (Mourvedre)

Planted: **Soil:**

Location: Arther's Vineyard, SR 241 (Malbec)

Planted: 2003 Virgin Soil **Soil:** Scoon Series

WINEMAKING

SYRAH NEWHOUSE VINEYARD

HARVESTED: SEPT. 26, 2017

BRX: 27 **Max Temp:** 84 **YEAST:** EC-1118

FERMENTATION: 6 days **PRESSED:** OCT 2, 2017

GRENACHE LONESOME SPRING RANCH

HARVESTED: OCT. 26, 2017

BRX: 24 **Max Temp:** 82 **YEAST:** NT116

FERMENTATION: 5 Days **PRESSED:** OCT 10, 2016

MOURVEDRE ARTHER'S VINEYARD

HARVESTED: OCT 30, 2017

BRX: 21 **Max Temp:** 78 **YEAST:** NT 116

FERMENTATION: 5 DAYS **PRESSED:** OCT 24, 2015

MALBEC ARTHER'S VINEYARD

HARVESTED: OCT. 9, 2017

BRX: 25 **MAX TEMP:** 82 **YEAST:** NT-116

FERMENTATION: 5 DAYS **PRESSED:** OCT. 17, 2017

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WINE LORE: While the western side of Washington reflects the state name "The Evergreen State," the irrigated central portion of the state is populated with Aridisols. The soils vary from shallow to deep, rocky to silty to sandy, but all of the soils are in a category that soil scientists define as "Aridisols," and anagram for Arid Soils. This fine wine is a blend of premium red wine grapes grown on desert soils.

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 15.0%

Final pH: 3.67

Blend: 45% AD Malbec

19% DN Syrah

13% AD Mourvedre

23% LSR Grenache

Bottled: March 30, 2022

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FOOD PAIRINGS

Arancini (stuffed Italian Rice Balls)

Pork Gyoza

Warm lentil salad with smoked kielbasa

Shell pasta with caramelized onion and smoked cheese sauce

Spaghetti and meatballs

Mango upside down cake