

Red Blend

LABEL: EAGLE & PLOW

AVA: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

VIN: 2018



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This blend shows beautiful aromas of blackberry preserves and blueberry jam with notes of sweet vanilla and cocoa powder. The ripe fruit combined with sleek tannins create a wine that is broad and powerful yet elegant. The ripe flavors in the mouth lead into a soft, lingering finish with a touch of bright acidity.

VINEYARD SOURCING

The fruit for this wine is grown at our acclaimed Estate Vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills. The fruit is exposed to dappled sunlight, allowing for uniform ripening and flavor development. Well balanced crop levels have allowed us to create wines with great depth and concentration.

GROWING SEASON

The 2018 vintage started out nice and warm, ideal for a typical Washington harvest. We did not experience any major hot or cold temperatures September through October which lead to slow and even ripening and amazing flavor development.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was machine harvested with our 'Selective Harvest' attachment allowing the fruit to be sorted in the vineyard. The fruit was not crushed in order to preserve as much whole-berry as possible. At the winery, individual lots were fermented in stainless steel tanks. Twice daily pumpovers allowed gentle extraction of color and tannins. This wine was aged for 17 months in 25% New French and American Oak.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills

Blend: 43% Merlot, 36% Syrah, 14% Malbec, 3% Petit Verdot, 3% Mourvedre, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon

Alcohol: 14.5%

T.A: 0.47 g/100mL

pH: 3.76

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