# Red Blend

LABEL: SUBSOIL AVA: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS VIN: 2019



#### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Aromas of bursting ripe black cherry and blueberries with notes of milk chocolate, coffee and sweet smoke lend to a balance of plush fruit and powdery tannins in the mid-palate, ending with a long and lingering finish with notes of bing cherry and spice.

#### 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 2019 vintage was a cooler vintage which allowed for even ripening and flavor development. This lent to great acidity and fresh fruit aromas. The consistent temperate conditions allowed for an elegant style of grape maturation.

### WINEMAKING

These grapes were sorted in the vineyard with the selective harvest on our Pellenc Harvesters. 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 blend was aged for 16 months in 25% New French and American Oak.

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills

Blend: 63% Merlot, 20% Syrah, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Malbec

Alcohol: 14.**1**% T.A: 0.59 g/100 ml

pH: 3.69

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