# Cabernet Sauvignon

LABEL: SUBSOIL AVA: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS VIN: 2020



### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This Cabernet Sauvignon opens with aromas of ripe red fruit, blackberry pie, dried cranberries with hints of brown sugar and warm baking spices. Powdery tannins lend structure while maintaining elegance and ending in a long lingering finish.

## 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 2020 vintage started out cooler than normal, but temperatures quickly warmed up in August. The temperature change was very consistent. Along with lower crop yields, the grapes were able to develop concentrated and vibrant flavors which allowed for even ripening. 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 wine was aged for 16 months in 25% New French and American Oak.

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills

Blend: 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Merlot, 12% Syrah

Alcohol: 14.5% T.A: 0.55 g/100 ml

pH: 3.94

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