

# MERCER BROS.

## EDGE OF HEAVEN RED BLEND

AVA: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS, COLUMBIA VALLEY

VINTAGE: 2019



Nearly fifty years ago the Mercer family planted the first wine grapes in the Columbia Valley's Horse Heaven Hills, on land our great-grandfather settled in 1886. We strive to maintain Willis Mercer's independent spirit in our wines, grown predominantly from these original vineyards - tended by us, made by us.

- Will Mercer & Rob Mercer

### WILL & ROB'S NOTES:

This wine leads with aromas and flavors of bursting ripe, black cherry and plum with notes of milk chocolate, coffee and sweet smoke. All of this lends to a balance of plush fruit and powdery tannins in the mid-palate, ending with a long lingering finish with notes of bing cherry and spice.

### ESTATE VINEYARDS:

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 growing season 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 picked and immediately 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 barrel aged for 16 months in 25% new French & 75% American Oak.

### TECHNICAL NOTES:

APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills in the Columbia Valley  
BLEND: 63% Merlot, 20% Syrah, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Malbec  
ALCOHOL: 14.5%  
T. A: 0.38 g/100 ml  
PH: 3.87  
UPC: 8-9801200276-7

### ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2017:

92 pts, James Suckling

### ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2018:

92 pts, James Suckling  
Double Gold, Sip Magazine

### ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2019:

96pts & Double Gold, New York International Wine Competition

90pts, Wine Enthusiast Buying Guide

Double Gold, International Women's Wine Competition



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