

# HOUSE WINE

## 2018 RED BLEND

### TASTING NOTE

Aromas of dark cherry and blackberry followed by tempting hints of brown sugar spice and supple notes of vanilla. With its round velvety finish.

### FOOD PAIRING

Enjoy with red meats, roasted chicken.

### COLUMBIA VALLEY

Known for its many and varied microclimates (cool, warm, windy, hilly, flat), Columbia Valley is the umbrella AVA under which many of the state's sub-AVAs fall. While it contains 99% of wine grapes grown in Washington State, 6,851 of its acres are unique to the Columbia Valley and don't overlap another sub-AVA in the state.

### VINTAGE BACKGROUND

2018 represents a very long harvest and a record-breaker for volume and tons crushed. Drier weather at bloom, resulted in grapes with much less mildew pressure than last year. Two weeks of extremely hot weather towards the end of summer allowed fruit to hang a little longer. White varietals will express a great range of fruit flavors like apple, pineapple and peach, while ripened red varietals will show more fruit-forward characteristics. The levels of acid are coming in higher than in years past, so red varietals, like Merlot, Cabernet and Syrah will be bright and refreshing.

### BLEND

45% Cabernet Sauvignon  
35% Syrah  
18% Malbec  
2% Merlot

### HARVEST DATE

9/15/2018 to 11/18/2018

### OAK

20% of American Oak Chips

### VINEYARD SOURCE

Goose Ridge Vineyards  
Canyon Ranch Vineyard  
Wallula Vineyards

### YEAST

Enaris Ferm WS

### ML

100%

### BOTTLING

Alc: 14%  
TA: 5.40 g/L  
RS: 5.79 g/L  
pH: 3.87

### ACCOLADES

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