

Holiday Red

2018 | COLUMBIA VALLEY



31% Cabernet Franc
29% Malbec
23% Syrah
8% Merlot
4% Cabernet Sauvignon
4% Grenache
1% Barbera

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

pH: 3.73

TA: 5.3 g/liter

RS: <0.2 g/liter

14 % alcohol

325 Cases produced



Harvest and Winemaking

The 2018 growing season was influenced by slightly higher temperatures (3.6%) than the long term average and significant air pollution from the forest fires in Canada and the United States. The corresponding decreased sunlight delayed ripening and lengthened the harvest season. Gloriously, mid-September through late October had brilliant sunshine and little rain, creating a wonderful vintage for the wine grape harvest.

We keep the press wine separate from the free run wine. The Holiday Red is primarily from the press wine of each vintage but also has free run wine from various other lots. This year we included additional free run Cabernet Franc, Malbec and Syrah to the blend.

Each component was aged in neutral French and American oak barrels for 11 months prior to bottling. The result is a juicy and fun red blend that is perfect for every occasion.

Tasting

A dark ruby red hue leads to fresh aromas of dried fig leaves, toasted marshmallow, cherries and eucalyptus with hints of baking spices and dust.

The mouthfeel is medium weight and plush like velvet in the mid pallet, which leads to a wonderful finish of balancing acidity and a sprinkle of soft tannins.

The Holiday Red is lively and fresh, with notes of dark dried cherries, grilled meats, allspice and Herbs de Provence lurking on the tongue. The acidity and intensity of the Holiday Red is perfectly balanced with all of your favorite holiday foods.

Thoughts

Press wine is approximately 9% of our entire red wine production. We keep it separate from the free run wine to create this very fun winery blend. Buy this wine by the case and take it to every Holiday party you attend. You will impress your friends and family with your selection.

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