

HISTORY

2020 CANOE RIDGE VINEYARD MERLOT

SRP: \$65 | 45 CASES PRODUCED

BRAMBLE
WILD BLUEBERRY
COMPLEX

APPELLATION

Columbia Valley

VINEYARD COMPOSITION

Planted on a steep desert ridge overlooking the Columbia River, this site sees weather extremes from cold, snowy winters to hot, windy summers. As a result, the vines produce a small canopy, exposing the grapes to direct sunlight throughout the growing season.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Merlot

ÉLEVAGE

This wine spent 18 months in a combination of new and neutral French oak barrels.

HARVEST

September 2020

BOTTLING

March 2022

ALCOHOL | pH

14.5% | 3.4



TASTING NOTES FROM WINEMAKER, MELISSA BURR

Rich aromas of blueberry and huckleberry leap from the glass, followed by undertones of nutmeg and clove. The palate is dense and layered, while the texture offers plush, silky tannins. There's a wildness to this wine that reflects its place of origin, with notes of brambly red and blue fruit, rocky earth, and a structural, expansive finish.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The 2020 vintage in Washington state was a relatively warm growing season, the perfect conditions for high cluster counts with small berries. As a result, the skin-to-juice ratio was higher than average, allowing us to craft wines with rich, concentrated flavors. The quantity of wine we made was limited due to the small fruit set, which means every bottle will be savored for years to come.



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