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2022 CANOE RIDGE VINEYARD MERLOT

SRP: \$65 | 50 CASES PRODUCED

STRAWBERRY
DRIED ROSE PETALS
SILKY

APPELLATION

Columbia Valley, Oregon

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 French oak barrels, 32% of which were new.

HARVEST

October 2022

ALCOHOL

14%

BOTTLING

April 2024

pH

3.62

NOTES FROM THE WINEMAKER

Elegant and structured, our Canoe Ridge Vineyard Merlot opens with inviting aromas of strawberry and dried rose petal. On the palate, layers of vanilla bean and red clay add depth and warmth, while fine-grained tannins create a silky texture that lingers through the finish. This Washington-grown Merlot is a graceful expression of site and varietal—poised yet approachable.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The 2022 growing season began with one of the coldest, wettest spring seasons on record in the Pacific Northwest, including a snowstorm in early April that pushed the beginning of the growing season out by several weeks. When the season started, many sites in Washington saw higher yields than average. Temperatures finally began to rise in late June, culminating in warm, dry conditions that persisted well into October. As a result, the fruit enjoyed extended hang time and was able to achieve phenolic ripeness, and we harvested without interruption or disease pressure until complete.



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