

# Kiona

### 2018 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN

## **CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

#### RED MOUNTAIN ORIGINALS

In 1975 our family planted the first vineyard on Red Mountain, an area now known for producing some of the world's most powerful, opulent wines of distinction. For three generations we've worked together on our farm to grow exciting, vineyard-driven wines that capture the essence of our Red Mountain estates.

#### VINEYARD PROFILE

Cabernet is king on Red Mountain. It's the only cultivar that Kiona grows at all five of our estate sites, and for good reason; here it's a powerful, balanced, and varietally-correct wine of distinction. For the 2018 version, older, more elegant Cabernet blocks at Kiona Estate marry with the younger, burlier plantings at Heart of the Hill, Sunset Bench, and Ranch at the End of the Road. The resulting interplay showcases Red Mountain at its finest.

#### WINE PROFILE

This authoritative wine shows why Red Mountain has a reputation as a powerhouse Cabernet Sauvignon producer capable of going toe-to-toe with the world's best. Fine-grain tannin, pure red and dark fruit, and deep color abound. Red Mountain produces balanced Cabernet Sauvignon with impeccable geographical specificity and intrinsic appeal.

#### SPECIFICATIONS

#### ESTATE VINEYARD COMPOSITION //

56% Kiona Estate 38% Heart of the Hill 4% Sunset Bench 2% Ranch at the End of the Road

#### **VARIETAL COMPOSITION //**

99% Cabernet Sauvignon 1% Petit Verdot

## CASE PRODUCTION // 4,343 12 x 750 mL cases

RETAIL RELEASE // June 2022, \$32 USD

# WORLD CLASS IN LIGHTER GLASS // Finished product case weight 34.5 lbs

ACCOLADES FOR PRIOR VINTAGES //

91 - Wine & Spirits (2017) 92 - James Suckling (2016)

#### VITICULTURIST //

Scott Williams

#### WINEMAKING TEAM //

Scott Williams, Tyler Williams, Mellissa Whitaker, Junior Flores

#### WINEMAKING //

100% hand-picked into macrobins. Mechanically and optically sorted into 1.5 ton open-top stainless fermenters. Twice-daily manual punchdowns. Full ML in barrel, topped 6x per year. 45% new-oak equivalent, mixture of french and american.

#### VINTAGE NOTES //

2018 heat accumulation tracked slightly behind the 2017 vintage on Red Mountain. Bloom occured slightly ahead of historical averages, and during ideal weather conditions. Crop loads were heavy going into the summer, resulting in the need to perform additional thinning. Weather during harvest (September-October) was ideal. It's a stellar high acid and high sugar vintage.

pH // 3.8 TA // 5.1 g/L GLU+FRU // 0.29 g/L VA // 0.64 g/L ALC. // 15.6%