

# Kiona

## 2019 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN HEART OF THE HILL CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The oldest plantings at Heart of the Hill date back to 2006, making it a relative newcomer to our estate repertoire. Planting a vineyard is cash-intensive, which is why we staggered the process, adding 20 acres each season through 2014. Since then, the site developed a powerhouse reputation on Red Mountain, cherished by winemakers and wine critics alike for deep concentration, pure blue and red fruit character, and stout tannin structure.

This second-ever release of Heart of the Hill Cabernet Sauvignon includes small blending additions: Petite Sirah (for color and density), Carmenère (for aromatics and pyrazines), and Merlot (for elegance and florals).

We do not vineyard-designate with reckless abandon. A vineyard-designated wine must achieve two goals:

1. Represent the vineyard in the best possible light.
2. Offer a compelling, distinctive departure from multi-vineyard blends.

This 2019 bottling checks both boxes emphatically; it's a true showcase that deserves to sit atop our portfolio.

### **GEOGRAPHICAL DESIGNATION //**

100% Red Mountain AVA, 100% Estate Grown and Bottled, 100% Heart of the Hill

### **VARIETAL COMPOSITION //**

88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petite Sirah, 5% Carmenère, 2% Merlot

**WINEMAKING //** Hand-picked 10/25 & 10/28, optical sorting, open-top 1.5 ton fermenters, inoculated with D254, 2x daily pumpovers/punchdowns, 55% new french, 8.5% new american, full ML. 100% vegan winemaking.

**WORLD CLASS IN LIGHTER GLASS //** 470 gram eco-glass, no capsule, DIAM 10

**pH //** 3.68 **TA //** 5.3 g/L **VA //** 0.49 g/L **GLU + FRU //** 0.47 g/L **ALC. //** 15.5%

**ACCOLADES //** 93 Points Wine Advocate // 93 Points Wine & Spirits

