

## RED MOUNTAIN NYX II

Nyx II and Cyclops IV are companion wines. The Syrah and Mourvèdre components are the same between the two, although obviously blended in different ratios. As with the prior version, Nyx II lets Mourvèdre (pronounced mohr-ved-dra) take center stage. We love this under-appreciated grape (known as Monastrell in Spain), and it grows particularly well on Red Mountain at our Heart of the Hill estate vineyard.

Wines in our Mythology Series are often blended vertically, and Nyx II is no exception. Blending vertically often results in flavor profiles that would otherwise be impossible. In Nyx II, the 2017 Grenache component contributes youthful, fruit-forward character that differs from the more mature, savory 2016 Grenache that is included in Cyclops IV. These wines are experimental in nature and we certainly have a great time blending them.

## GEOGRAPHICAL DESIGNATION //

100% Red Mountain AVA, 95% Estate Grown

VINEYARD SOURCES AND COMPOSITION //

80% 2016 Estate Heart of the Hill Mourvèdre, 15% 2016 Estate Sunset Bench Syrah, 5% 2017 Red Heaven Grenache (sourced)

**BOTTLING INFORMATION** // Bottled August 9th, 2019, 277 12 x 750 mL cases MYTHOLOGY // In Homer's Illiad, Nyx ("All-Subduing Night") is the only deity that Zeus fears. She is Goddess of the Night, considered to be among the first deities to ever exist. There is some disagreement as to her absolute age; in some Greek texts, Nyx appears as the first principle, even before Chaos. In others, she is the second, having emerged from Chaos. Either way, she's a bad-ass.

