



## 2016 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN LEMBERGER

### RED MOUNTAIN ORIGINALS

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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 side by side, hand in hand to craft exciting, vineyard-driven wines that capture the essence of Red Mountain.

### VINEYARD PROFILE

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Kiona Vineyards and Winery produced the first commercial bottling of Lemberger in the United States in 1980. Since then, our original 1.8 acre planting has grown to 13.1 acres. Lemberger is typically grown in cooler regions; Red Mountain is a blast furnace by comparison, which means ours is stouter and darker than most.

### WINE PROFILE

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For more than four decades Lemberger has been an important part of our family's tradition on Red Mountain. The grape thrives here, producing medium-bodied, fruit-driven wines that pair well with a wide array of foods. It's an uncommon grape that's worthy of attention.

### VINTAGE NOTES

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The 2016 vintage started early, with temperatures in the triple digits in May. The summer was pretty typical; lots of ripening ability and absent of precipitation. Although harvest started early, temperatures cooled nicely in late summer, extending harvest and allowing for great flavor development.

### STATISTICS

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#### VINEYARD SOURCES //

94% Kiona Estate, Red Mountain

6% Heart of the Hill, Red Mountain

#### VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

94% Lemberger, 3% Carmenère, 2% Petite Sirah, 1% Mourvèdre

CASE PRODUCTION // 4,894 cases, 12 x 750 mL

pH // 3.76 TA // 5.6 g/L ALCOHOL // 14%

*"This just might be a pretty damned good place to grow wine grapes."*

- JOHN WILLIAMS, CIRCA 1970.



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