



2017 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN CHENIN BLANC ICE WINE

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

VINEYARD PROFILE

While Red Mountain is known for big, powerful red wines, it's also an exceedingly good place to grow white varieties. The Kiona Estate vineyard has four acres of chenin blanc planted in a depression, increasing the likelihood that we are able to produce Ice Wine. We don't pick the grapes until they are naturally frozen in the vineyard, a process that concentrates their sugar and flavor to unprecedented levels.

WINE PROFILE

Ice Wine is one of the world's most elusive and delicious elixirs. For decades we've produced this Red Mountain version with chenin blanc, a grape that showcases well-balanced, crisp acidity and intense tropical fruit characteristic that dances on the tongue.

VINTAGE NOTES

Heat accumulation in 2017 tracked slightly lower than the extreme highs during 2016 and 2015, and a wet spring resulted in higher overall precipitation when viewed from an annual perspective. The long, warm summer was prototypical for the area, resulting in delightful wines with strong varietal typicity.

STATISTICS

VINEYARD SOURCE // 100% Kiona Estate, Red Mountain
VINEYARD BLOCKS PLANTED // 1976, 1983
VARIETAL COMPOSITION // 100% Chenin Blanc
HARVEST DATE // November 7, 2017
WINEMAKING // 100% Stainless, 32.5° Brix @ Harvest
CASE PRODUCTION // 303 cases, 12x375 mL, btld 04/18
pH // 3.16
TA // 10.41 g/L
ALCOHOL // 9.4%
RS // 179 g/L

“This just might be a pretty damned good place to grow wine grapes.”

- JOHN WILLIAMS, CIRCA 1970.

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