

2017 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN SYRAH

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 estate.

VINEYARD PROFILE

Legendary Washington vineyard guru Dick Boushey famously proclaimed that "Syrah loves a view," and that's exactly what our Ranch at the End of the Road vineyard offers. It's located higher on the hill than many of our other plantings, resulting in superb air/water drainage, dramatic diurnal temperature swings, and ample heat accumulation, perfect for world-class Syrah.

WINE PROFILE

Syrah from Red Mountain is prized for producing wines of profound concentration, color, and character. Elevage in a gentle french oak program ensures gorgeous fruit and ample minerality are preserved in bottle. Expect deep color and a lengthy finish; this is a remarkable wine. A non-traditional Zinfandel add in the blend adds layering, texture, and aromatics.

VINTAGE NOTES

RED MOUNTAIN AVA

SYRAH

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 SOURCES //

93% Ranch at the End of the Road, Red Mountain AVA 7% Heart of the Hill, Red Mountain AVA

VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

76% Syrah, 17% Zinfandel, 4% Petit Verdot, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon

WINEMAKING //

Small-lot open-top ferments, twice daily manual punchdown CASE PRODUCTION $/\!/$ 292 cases, 12 x 750 mL, btld 06/2020

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

- JOHN WILLIAMS, CIRCA 1970.