

Kiona 2019 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN MALBEC

In 15 years Malbec has grown to become Kiona's fifth-most-planted cultivar on Red Mountain. The grape thrives here, producing wines of uncommon depth and complexity. The fruit is highly sought after by Washington winemakers for its strong varietal typicity and opaque coloration – demand continues to outpace supply.

Malbec was “discovered” by the new world wine-drinking public as a superb stand-alone cultivar for fruit-forward, dark, approachable wines with lots of depth. This certainly holds true on Red Mountain, where the wines tend to exhibit a softer, svelte tannin profile. Of the Bordeaux red cultivars, Malbec stands out as being particularly tasty in its youth and equally at ease with food or by itself.

Observant Kiona followers know that Sunset Bench vineyard features in many of our current and former wines, but always as a blending component. This 2019 Malbec represents the first time we've featured the site as a 100%, single-vineyard estate offering.

GEOGRAPHICAL DESIGNATION //

100% Red Mountain AVA, 100% Estate Grown and Bottled, 100% Sunset Bench vineyard

VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

95% Malbec, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon

PRODUCTION // 942.6 12 x 750 mL cases, bottled Sept. 2022

WORLD CLASS IN LIGHTER GLASS // 34.5 lbs finished case weight, no capsule

pH // 3.71 **VA //** 0.73 g/L **GLU + FRU //** 0.24 g/L **ALC. //** 14.5%

