

# Kiona

## RED MOUNTAIN CYCLOPS® VI

Our Mythology Series wines seek to emulate styles that we admire from around the world, seen through a Red Mountain lens. Cyclops is our ode to the wines of Southern France, where the wines offer incredible layering, complexity, and appeal. Washington State has seen a notable uptick in Mourvèdre and Grenache plantings recently, as they complement our already robust Syrah acreage in a very compelling way.

This sixth version of Cyclops showcases estate grown Syrah from our Sunset Bench and Ranch at the End of the Road vineyard, as has become tradition. New to the cuvée this time is Cunoise, a low-yield, high-acid grape with lighter body and medium-length finish. Along with the Mourvèdre and Grenache components, the Cunoise adds aromatic lift, freshness, and layering to the wine. The alluring final result is both elegant and powerful, a rare and desirable outcome in the world of wine.

### **GEOGRAPHICAL DESIGNATION //**

100% Red Mountain AVA, 70% Estate Grown

### **VINEYARD SOURCES AND COMPOSITION //**

33% Estate Sunset Bench Syrah, 25% Estate Ranch at the End of the Road Syrah, 17% Red Heaven Grenache, 13% Ciel du Cheval Cunoise, 12% Estate Heart of the Hill Mourvèdre

### **BOTTLING INFORMATION //** Bottled December 2023, 304 12 x 750 mL cases

**WINEMAKING //** Mechanically and optically sorted hand-picked fruit, twice daily punch-downs in open-top 1.5 ton fermenters. 50% New French, 8% New American

**MYTHOLOGY //** The offspring of ancient dieties Uranus (sky) and Gaia (earth), Cyclops were feared for their power and cunning; so much so that they were imprisoned out of fear in the hellish Tartarus. They were eventually freed by Zeus, and in gratitude, agreed to craft weapons for the Gods. Our label depicts the act for which the Cyclops are most famous; forging Zeus' legendary thunderbolts.

