A tribute to three generations of family winemaking

GOOSE RIDGE G3

2018 Merlot Columbia Valley

WINEMAKING

Estate Grown, Family owned

The fruit for this wine was sourced from some of the premier upper blocks of the estate. The 2018 vintage allowed for optimal, long hang time in the vineyard. The wine was pumped over twice daily until a balance of color, structure, and flavor extraction had been achieved. Malolactic fermentation on oak smoothed and softened the wine. The wine matured for 16 months in barrels (with 30% new oak). A small amount of Cabernet Sauvignon was carefully blended to polish the structure and enhance the aromatic intensity of the Merlot.

TASTING NOTE

Exhibits expressive and fresh aromas of red cherries, strawberries, and red currants complimented by notes of cola and cocoa. The palate opens broad and juicy leading into a core of intense and concentrated flavors of cherries and red plums. The supple and textured mid palate enhances the impression of fresh fruit. A fresh, lively, enduring finish is characterized by notes of blueberries, plum, and subtle baking spices.

APPELLATION: 100% Columbia Valley,

100% Goose Ridge Estate Grown

VARIETAL: 86% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Malbec

TA: 0.57 g/100ml

pH: 3.80

OAK: Aged for 16 months on 30% new oak

ALCOHOL: 14.5%



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