

STONECAP

MERLOT

Estate Grown
Columbia Valley



WINEMAKING

This estate Merlot was fermented in stainless steel tanks from vineyard blocks on our east side. The wine was pumped over twice daily to facilitate flavor development and color extraction. The wine was pressed-off after a week-long maceration and allowed to complete malolactic fermentation on oak, softening and polishing the mouthfeel for a smooth, textured wine. The wine spent several months developing on oak before being carefully selected and blended to create the best possible accentuation of the softness and intense fruit character to be found in our estate wines.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2019 StoneCap Merlot shows expressive, perfumed notes of strawberry, cherry, and hints of spice and aromatic herbs. A smooth, medium body revolves around lively, intense, and juicy flavors of strawberry, currant, and Montmorency cherry that evolve into a full, lengthy finish supported by notes of minerality, red berries, and mocha. – *Andrew Wilson*, Winemaker

VINTAGE: 2019

APPELLATION: 100% Columbia Valley, 100% Estate Grown

VARIETAL BLEND: 99% Merlot, 1% Malbec

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

