



# 2014 ARIDISOL RED COLUMBIA VALLEY

**DavenLore**  
winery

## WINEMAKER NOTES

This northern Rhône blend wine has bright ruby color and spicy character which reminds me of visiting Valence, France and drinking wine at an outside café with meat, cheese and a baguette with my niece, Jen. The northern Rhône valley typically creates a blend of wine with more Syrah than any other components. In centuries past a blend of Syrah, Mourvèdre and Grenache make up the bulk of northern Rhône blends as we do here. Like France, our Syrah shows through with this blend with notes of red raspberry and green gage plum. The blend has hints of gooseberry and almonds. Aging in the barrel for three years brings out characteristics of cedar and vanilla with the sensation of eating scones with clotted cream.

## VINEYARD

**Location:** NEWHOUSE VINEYARD, SNIPES MOUNTAIN (Syrah)

**Planted:** 1999

**Soil:** Hardwood-Burke-Wielhl silt loam formed in the Snipes Mountain Conglomerate. High Level worn river cobbles prior to last ice age.

**Location:** LONESOME SPRING RANCH, YAKIMA VALLEY (GRENACHE)

**Planted:** 2006

**Soil:** Scootney silt loam is deep well drained soil. While the top 12-20" are pure silt loam, it is underlain by gravelly silt loam to a depth which can exceed several feet.

**Location:** ALDER RIDGE VINEYARD, HORSE HEAVEN HILLS (Mourvèdre)

**Planted:** 1998

## WINEMAKING

### SYRAH · NEWHOUSE VINEYARD

**Harvested:** September 22, 2014

**Brix:** 26.4 **Yeast:** EC1118 **Max Temp:** 86°

**Fermentation:** 6 Days **Pressed:** September 28, 2014

### GRENACHE · LONESOME SPRING RANCH

**Harvested:** October 17, 2014

**Brix:** 27 **Yeast:** NT112 **Max Temp:** 86°

**Fermentation:** 7 days **Pressed:** October 25, 2014

### MOURVÈDRE · ALDER RIDGE VINEYARD

**Harvested:** October 9, 2014

**Brix:** 28.2 **Yeast:** **Max Temp:** 82°

**Fermentation:** 6 days **Pressed:** October 16, 2014

### DURIF · ALDER RIDGE VINEYARD

**Harvested:** September 30, 2014

**Brix:** 24.6 **Yeast:** NT112 **Max Temp:** 84°

**Fermentation:** 5 days **Pressed:** October 6, 2014

## ARIDISOL RED COLUMBIA VALLEY

**Wine Lore:** The name, Aridisol, is an anagram for Arid Soil. In wine, it all starts with the soil! Many people from outside of the Pacific Northwest assume that Washington weather is wet, just like Seattle. But due to the rainshadow cast by the Cascade Mountains, eastern Washington is different. Low precipitation gives both the soil and the wines of the region their unique characteristics, but in contrasting ways. While the soils are subtle, the wines are anything but. One taste of this premium, balanced blend will show you how arid soils can produce incredible wines.



## TECHNICAL DATA

**ALCOHOL:** 14%

**FINAL PH:** 3.67

**BLEND:** 43% DN SYRAH  
21% LSR GRENACHE  
21% AR MOURVÈDRE  
15% AR DURIF

**BOTTLED:** JULY 5, 2018

**CASES PRODUCED:** 104

## FOOD PAIRINGS

Charcuterie plate  
Roast Ham  
Pork Shoulder Roast  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Berry Pie with whipped cream  
on top