2018 MALBEC

COLUMBIA VALLEY

Cases Produced:73



WINEMAKER NOTES

Art DenHoed's Malbec block is nestled in the Painted Hills, just above Mabton, is a small strip, of land between the Yakima Valley and Horse Heaven Hills AVAs. The grapes don't care. They produce lovely wines that reflect warm afternoon sun and wind that evoke the vineyard's name, Painted Hills, rich and elegant. This wine boasts big flavors of dark fruits, with hints of eucalyptus, cedar and spun sugar. The color of garnets, with silky smooth tannins, and a long lingering finish will encourage you to grill a nice T-Bone and raise a glass to the end of a good day!

Gordon Taylor, Winemaker

VINEYARD

Location: Arthur's Vineyard **Planted:** 2003 Virgin Soil **Soil:** Scoon silt loam

Location: Alder Ridge Vineyard,

Horse Heaven Hills

Planted: 1998 **Soil:** Warden silt loam

WINEMAKING

Malbec - Arthur's Vineyard

Harvested: October 4, 2018

Brix: 24.2 **pH:** 3.64 **Yeast:** NT-116

Max Temp: 79°F

Fermentation: 7 Days Pressed: October 11, 2018

Cabernet Sauvignon - Alder Ridge Vineyard

Harvested: October 17, 2018

Brix: 25.4 Max Temp: 77 Yeast: ICV OKAY

Fermentation: 7 Days Pressed: October 25, 2018

MALBEC

Columbia Valley

Wine Lore: Maybe it is the difference between the continents. Maybe it is the difference in the culture. Or maybe it is just the desire to try something different because we can. In France, Malbec is historically used as a blender, with a little bit added here and there to enhance the flavors of other grapes. In the Americas, we boldly go out on the cordon for a new world Malbec.



TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 15 % Final pH: 3.69

Blend:

87% Arthur's Vineyard, Malbec 13% Alder Ridge Vineyards,

Cabernet Sauvignon **Bottled:** June 16, 2023 **Cases Produced:** 73

FOOD PAIRINGS

Antipasto skewers

Panzanella

Grilled lamb chops

Polenta caprese pizza

Cannoli