



Kiona

2021 COLUMBIA VALLEY ESTATES CUVÉE

COLUMBIA VALLEY ORIGINALS

We're not Kiona Cellars. We're not Kiona Winery. We are Kiona Vineyards. That's an important distinction for us to make, because we grow grapes. For our own winery and for more than 60 others. Kiona Vineyards comprises several estate sites, all with their own distinct traits and tendencies. They are the essence of our family's fifty-year tradition.

VINEYARD PROFILE

Estates Cuvée is a high end glass pour-oriented blend from our estate vineyards. Each site contributes to the wine in a special way, resulting in a declassified estate-grown wine that's uniquely representative of the region. The Sunset Bench component brings acid, fruit, and drinkability, while the Kiona Estate, Ranch, Artz and Heart of the Hill additions contribute depth, structure, and color. We sourced a small amount of Grenache from our neighbors at Red Heaven to round out the cuvée.

WINE PROFILE

In a world of contrived red wine blends with obfuscated sourcing, Estates Cuvée stands apart as a breath of fresh air. We're blending this approachable, food-friendly cuvée from our estate Red Mountain vineyards, respected by top winemakers from across the Pacific Northwest as some of the best in the business. Expect ample red and blue fruit, framed by generous acidity and barreled down for more than three years. We're not entirely sure this wine pencils out, but it's too tasty to stop making.

SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD COMPOSITION //

31% Sunset Bench
28% Kiona Estate
23% Ranch at the End of the Road
11% Heart of the Hill
4% Artz Vineyard
3% Red Heaven (Sourced)

VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

28% Malbec, 26% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Syrah, 8% Lemberger, 4% Zinfandel, 4% Merlot, 3% Grenache, 3% Petit Verdot, 3% Mourvèdre, 3% Sangiovese, 1% Carmenère, 1% Cabernet Franc

JJ SAYS //

"It's the Mr. Roger's of Kiona's neighborhood: serious but approachable. Sweater vest not included."

VITICULTURIST // Scott Williams

WINEMAKING TEAM // Tyler Williams, Mellissa Whitaker, Junior Flores, Jorge Mejia, & Stephanie Santos

WINEMAKING //

100% hand-picked into macrobins. Mechanically and optically sorted into 1.5 ton open-top stainless fermenters. Combination of twice-daily manual punchdowns & pumpovers. 100% ML. 24% new French, 6% new American, 1% new Hungarian, remainder neutral. ~40 month élevage.

VINTAGE NOTES //

2021 saw some of the warmest temperatures on record in our area, particularly early in the growing season. Heat units in May and June tracked 11.8% and 10.5% higher than in 2020, respectively, while the second half of the summer (July-September) was cumulatively 12.2% lower. Quality across the board is high, with many growers on Red Mountain noting the surprisingly nice acidities given the powerful ripening season. Yields were lower than expected.

pH // 3.95 TA // 5.0 g/L GLU+FRU // 1.21 g/L VA // 0.71 g/L ALC. // 14.9% VEGAN // Yes

BOTTLING + PRODUCTION // 2,527 12 x 750 mL cases, poly laminate capsules, TCA-free micro-agglomerated corks. 470-gram ecoglass bottles - World Class in Lighter Glass

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