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2022 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN SAUVIGNON BLANC

RED MOUNTAIN ORIGINALS

In 1975 our family planted the first vineyard on Red Mountain, an area now known for producing some of the world's most powerful, opulent wines of distinction. For three generations we've worked together on our farm to grow exciting, vineyard-driven wines that capture the essence of the Red Mountain AVA.

VINEYARD PROFILE

First planted in 1997, Artz Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc represents our western-most estate block on Red Mountain. The high-exposure site receives a lot of wind, along with a moderating temperature effect from the nearby Yakima River; the high temps aren't quite as high and the low temps aren't quite as low as other blocks. Red Mountain whites are somewhat rare, but known for vibrancy and complexity.

WINE PROFILE

Winemaker Tyler Williams wanted to emphasize layering and texture here, so we utilized 100% barrel ferments, stirred daily. The end-result is seriously delicious; Artz Vineyard is perfect for varietally-correct Sauvignon Blanc in this style. It's riper, fuller, and more complex than most stainless-steel examples, and perfectly suited to headline at your next sit-down dinner.

SPECIFICATIONS

ESTATE VINEYARD COMPOSITION //

100% Artz Vineyard

VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

86% Sauvignon Blanc
14% Semillon

CASE PRODUCTION //

787 12 x 750 mL cases

RETAIL RELEASE //

March 2023, \$34 USD

WORLD CLASS IN LIGHTER GLASS //

470-gram flint claret btls, foil capsule, branded microagglomerated technical cork. Finished case weight - 34.5 lbs

JJ SAYS //

"The Hawkeye of Red Mountain's Avenger's lineup - white and unassuming, but low-key pretty powerful."

VITICULTURIST //

Scott Williams

WINEMAKING TEAM //

Tyler Williams, Mellissa Whitaker, Junior Flores, Scott Williams

WINEMAKING //

Sauvignon Blanc picked 9/22. Semillon picked 10/3. 100% barrel fermented. 60% of blend (SB) racked to tank for partial ML. 26% of blend (SB) aged in oak, no ML. 14% of blend (Semillon) aged in oak, full ML. 15% total volume aged in new french, 3% total volume aged in new Patagonia Lenga, 22% total volume aged in 2nd + 3rd fill mix.

VINTAGE NOTES //

2022 was a vintage of two halves; cool to start, warm to finish. Compared to 2021, the first three months of the 2022 ripening period had 17% fewer heat units, and the following four months had 4% more. Overall, heat units during the April 1 - October 31st ripening season showed a ~6.5% decrease. The cool start to the vintage resulted in a statewide trend pushing many pick dates later into the fall. 2022 wines will showcase vibrant acidity, deep color, lower alcohol levels, and excellent aging potential.

pH // 3.12 TA // 7.0 g/L VA // 0.19 g/L GLU + FRU // 0.31 g/L ALC // 13%

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