

Kiona

2020 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN LEMBERGER

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 our Red Mountain estates.

VINEYARD PROFILE

Kiona Vineyards and Winery produced the first commercial bottling of Lemberger in the United States in 1980. Since then, our original 1.8 acre planting has grown to 13.1 acres at the Kiona Estate vineyard. Lemberger is typically grown in cooler regions; Red Mountain is a blast furnace by comparison, which results in a riper, rounder profile not found in cooler areas.

WINE PROFILE

For more than four decades Lemberger has been an important part of our family's tradition on Red Mountain. The grape thrives here, producing medium-bodied, fruit-driven wines that pair well with a wide array of foods. The 2020 iteration includes a healthy North Block Cabernet Sauvignon component, contributing structure, aromatic intensity, and color. Lemberger is an uncommon grape that's worthy of attention.

SPECIFICATIONS

ESTATE VINEYARD COMPOSITION //

100% Kiona Estate

VARIETAL COMPOSITION //

76% Lemberger
23% Cabernet Sauvignon
1% Merlot

CASE PRODUCTION //

2,252 12 x 750 mL cases

RETAIL RELEASE //

April 2022, \$18 USD

WORLD CLASS IN LIGHTER GLASS //

Finished product case weight 34.5 lbs

ACCOLADES FOR PRIOR VINTAGES //

91 - James Suckling (2019)
93 - James Suckling (2018)
90 - Wine Enthusiast (2018)

VITICULTURIST //

Scott Williams

WINEMAKING TEAM //

Tyler Williams, Mellissa Whitaker, Junior Flores, Scott Williams

WINEMAKING //

Lemberger components machine picked on 9/16 & 9/17. Mechanically and optically sorted into 4,000 gallon steel fermenters, gentle pumpover. ML in barrel. 10% new-oak equivalent (mix of French and American) for ~ 15 months. Primary blending component is hand-picked North Block Cabernet Sauvignon (picked 10/17) from Kiona Estate vineyard.

VINTAGE NOTES //

2020 heat and precipitation on Red Mountain tracked very closely with 2018 and 2019 averages. Grapes ripened on time and with very little disease/pest pressure. Yields were great and quality was high; another stellar Red Mountain vintage!

pH // 3.8 TA // 5 g/L ALC. // 14%



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