



# 2019 SYRAH

## COLUMBIA VALLEY

<b>Varietal Composition:</b>	100% Syrah
<b>Appellation</b>	Columbia Valley
<b>Bottled:</b>	September 3, 2020
<b>Technical Data:</b>	Alc. 14.2% by vol; RS: .01 TA: 5.95 g/l; pH 3.7
<b>Cases Produced:</b>	1945
<b>Production &amp; Aging:</b>	Aged for 9 months in tank with 40% new French oak equivalent

### THE VINTAGE

The 2019 was a consistently temperate season. Very few extreme heat days allowed for even ripening and little stress on grape flavor development. While some areas were impacted from early season frosts, we saw little damage in the locations we source grapes from. Acids held well across whites and reds and will deliver great brightness in the whites and graceful aging for years to come in the reds. Maryhill Winery received a total of 1,249 tons of fruit in 2019.

### THE VINEYARD

Sourced from a collection of award-winning vineyards including Tudor Hills Vineyard 58% and Gunkel Estate 42% in Washington state's Columbia Valley AVA.

### THE WINEMAKING

Throughout harvest, Winemaker Richard Batchelor worked closely with local growers and visited each vineyard to taste for maturity and ripeness to determine the precise moment to pick the fruit. Grapes were hand-harvested during the cool hours of the morning to preserve bright fruit notes. Each lot underwent a five day pre-fermentation cold soak before the tank was allowed to go through a native fermentation to dryness lasting roughly 21 days. Each lot underwent a five day pre-fermentation cold soak before the tank was allowed to go through a native fermentation to dryness lasting roughly 21 days. Each lot was fermented separately and then blended before bottling to allow the tannins to meld together. To craft this wine, only the free run juice was collected and no press fraction was blended.

### TASTING NOTES

Raspberries, blood orange, and fennel aromas lead off to flavors of orange peel, clove, cinnamon and a velvety spiced chocolate finish.

### AWARDS

- 2022 Seattle Wine Awards | Gold (93)
- 2022 Great Northwest Platinum Wine Awards | Double Gold
- 2022 San Francisco International Wine Competition | Double Gold

