2019

RESERVE RED

GRAND VALLEY



VINEYARD

Savage Block

GRAPE VARIETIES

77.4% Malbec & 22.6% Petit Verdot

ABV

14 2%

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TASTING NOTES

A structured and full bodied blend full of concentrated black and blue fruit flavors. Soft, velvety tannins compliment a brown spice and white pepper bouquet. Black currant, cooked plum, and clove are predominant with vanilla bean and mocha on the finish.

WINEGROWING

Grown with a focus on sustainability. These grapes are farmed on alluvial soils mixed with larger volcanic strata. A properly managed, umbrella like canopy allows for just the right air flow and dappled sunlight onto the clusters to achieve maximum quality. The soils of the vineyard site enhances the expression of character for each variety and lends to the uniqueness of the wine.

WINEMAKING

A rare bordeaux inspired blend of Malbec and Petit Verdot. Grapes were hand sorted then destemmed. 5% of the Malbec lot was left whole cluster and shoveled to the bottom of the fermentation vessel. Pump overs were used to douse the cap 1-3 times daily. Petit Verdot was fermented open top in T-bins, punchdown were employed for maceration. Both lots were pressed, and malolactic fermentation was carried out in neutral and slightly used French oak barrels. The wines were racked twice and blended the second time. Minimal sulfites added at bottling.

AWARDS

2022 Colorado Governor's Cup - SILVER