

# 2017 CIEL DU CHEVAL VINEYARD RED WINE

In some ways Jim Holmes, who took a leap of faith in planting Ciel du Cheval Vineyard in the early 1970s, is a master blender himself. In the past 40 years, he has tinkered with the various varietals and trellising methods, monitored and measured the nutrients and moisture levels, and then witnessed winemakers take his hard work and turn it in to wines that he would call “an expression of place”. His blending in the vineyard, which would entail finding the perfect site for each varietal, is showcased in the Ciel du Cheval Red Wine, where Charlie has chosen select varietals and blended them together to express the place Jim built so many years ago. Drink now through 2027.

#### BLEND

40% Merlot  
24% Cabernet Sauvignon  
20% Cabernet Franc  
16% Petit Verdot

#### VINEYARD

Ciel du Cheval Vineyard

#### AGING

8% New French Oak

#### WOOD FERMENTATION

16% 2 Ton Open Top Tank

#### ALCOHOL

13.9%

#### PRODUCTION

302 cases



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RED MOUNTAIN

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