2017 QUINTESSENCE VINEYARD MERLOT

Quintessence Vineyard Merlot is exactly what Merlot should be from Red Mountain. This Merlot is consistently the first red fruit we bring into the cellar each year. The eastern facing site gives us earlier ripening and helps to set the tone for all red winemaking each harvest. The 2017 vintage bursts with red fruits, ripe raspberries, cola, and dark chocolate, backed by a lengthy finish and fine grained, dusty tannins. It is a high-powered Merlot that serves as a great example of oak integration, where we got lots of flavor and aroma from the barrels without distracting from the characteristics of the grape. Drink now through 2025.

BLEND 100% Merlot

VINEYARD Quintessence Vineyard

AGING 50% New French Oak 25% New American Oak

WOOD FERMENTATION 100% 40hL Boutes Tank

ALCOHOL 15%

PRODUCTION 197 cases

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