

# Mark Ryan

WINERY

## WATER WITCH Red Wine | Red Mountain | 2021



### WINEMAKING NOTES

In 2012 we partnered with Quintessence Vineyards to plant a 13.6-acre block on the south slope of Red Mountain. We worked together with the Quintessence team to transform the site into a world-class vineyard, sparing no expense in the design and development. Through meticulous site, varietal, and clone selection, as well as targeted vine density and orientation, we have been able to create a singular wine unique to the Mark Ryan lineup and Red Mountain AVA. We focus on highlighting the fantastic character and quality that make this block unique. By utilizing cooler fermentation temperatures and slightly longer skin contact time we can coax the inherent depth and power from the fruit while maintaining more delicate and nuanced aromas and flavors. Once fermentation was complete, the wine was lightly pressed to barrel where it aged for 21 months in 81% new French oak.

### TASTING NOTES

The aromatics showcase dark fruits and dark berries reminiscent of blackberry and currant along with hints of dusty cigar box. On the palate, cassis and boysenberry emerge with captivating spice box flavors and age-worthy acidity. This is a complex and well-structured wine that will evolve gracefully over the next decade.

### BLEND

70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Merlot, 6% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot

### BARREL

81% new French oak  
19% used French oak  
21 months in barrel

### PRODUCTION

760 cases

### RELEASE

February 2024

### APPELLATION

Red Mountain

### MATURITY WINDOW

2024-2042

### VINEYARDS

Quintessence

### PAST ACCOLADES

2020: 93 JD, 92 Decanter  
2019: 94 W&S, 94 JD, 93 WS, 93 WE

2018: 93 WE, 93 JD, 92 Decanter, 91 WA

2017: 90 WA, 93 WS, 92 W&S, (93-95) JD

2016: 92+ WA, 92 WE, 92 TZ, 93 JD

### ALCOHOL

14.8%

### UPC

850518006182

Founded in 1999 by Mark Ryan McNeilly, **MARK RYAN WINERY** produces limited quantities of highly-sought after wines, crafted intentionally for their quality and potential. We partner with vineyards of the highest merit to produce an award-winning lineup that represents our winemaking style and authentic varietal character. Our passion to produce the best wines possible inspires us to make these wines for you.

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