

# **OLD VINES**

Cabernet Sauvignon | Columbia Valley | 2020



The 2020 Old Vines Cabernet Sauvignon honors two of the oldest and most well-respected vineyards in the state. Cabernet Sauvignon planted in 1994 at Ciel du Cheval on Red Mountain provides mouth-filling flavors of complex, sweet fruit, and spice. Cabernet Sauvignon from Red Willow planted in 1991 contributes intense spice and floral aromatics and brings substantial weight and volume to the palate. The old, gnarled vines from these blocks are more self-regulating in the vineyard, offering lighter crops, smaller berries and extremely concentrated aromatics and flavors. Our job in the cellar is find the fulcrum of extraction to celebrate these magnificent qualities and avoid pushing too far, which can lead to a wine that is unapproachable and hard. Once fermentation is complete the wine is lightly pressed to barrel where it will age for 21 months in 73% new French oak.

# **TASTING NOTES**

Anise and dark fruits dominate the earthy and herbaceous 2020 Old Vines. Black cherry and licorice flavors are accompanied by a backdrop of sage and spices to create a complex and evolving palate.

### BLEND

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

# BARREL

73% New 22mm French Chateau Ferré Thin Stave 21 months in barrel

## **PRODUCTION**

378 Cases

### RELEASE

February 2023

# APPELLATION

Columbia Valley

# **MATURITY WINDOW**

2023-2035

### **VINEYARDS**

Red Willow Ciel du Cheval

# PAST ACCOLADES

2019: 94 WS, 93 WE 2018: 93+ JD, 92 WA, 92

WE

2017: 93 WA, 92 W&S,

(93-95) JD

2016: 93 WA, 94 JD, 92

WE, 93 TZ

2015: 96 WA, 95 JD, 92

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Sabernet Sauxignon

WASHINGTON STATE

COLUMBIA VALLEY

100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

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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.