# DOUBLE Canyon



## COLUMBIA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**Washington State** 



This wine is our flagship Cabernet Sauvignon from Columbia Valley. The fruit is sourced from the prestigious Horse Heaven Hills and Red Mountain appellations. Warmer than other growing areas, the vineyards are cooled by persistent winds that comb across the desert landscape.

### VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

This wine is sourced from our hand-chosen vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills and Red Mountain appellations. Some of the factors that contribute to this high quality fruit are the windswept landscape, the soil deposited there by the Missoula floods, the high summer temperatures that can be reached and the high quality of the plant materials in these vineyards. The wine was aged in 39% new oak, mostly French oak with a spattering of American oak for sweetness. It received 20 months of barrel time post-fermentation. This wine was filtered with a high-tech cross flow filtration technology for the cleanest and most stable resulting wine.

### VINTAGE

The 2020 growing season unlike 2019 was very dry, we didn't get nearly the snowpack of the previous season and the steady heat and lack of precipitation gave a true sense of the dry windy character shrub desert that eastern Washington can have at times. The combination of these factors contributed to a lighter crop load than we have had in years, this is a double-edged blade because on the one hand it is tough to deal with a lack of grapes when we want to grow however it contributes to higher quality wines in the bottle. The maturity curve of the fruit during the end of the growing season was compromised by the lack of sunlight for 8 days during a critical ripening period, thankfully the light crop load allowed everything to reach maturity before we had to harvest. It was an exceptionally challenging year but, in the end, we had a great harvest. We are very excited about the wines produced this year!

### TASTING NOTES

Impactful deep cherry aromas with hints of vanilla, dark chocolate and clove open your mind to the tasting experience to ensue. The first entry to the pallet is silky smooth, brimming with notes of ripe blackberry and tart currant, and finishes with toasted vanilla, oak, and baking spices. With approachable tannins, the finish is lengthy and subtle. Pairs nicely with hearty meat dishes such as roasted lamb with grilled asparagus or for a meatless pairing try it with eggplant parmesan.

### ANALYSIS

VARIETALS 96% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 2% SYRAH & 2% PETIT VERDOT
ALCOHOL 13.5% PH 3.76 TA 5.95 G/L

#### KFY FACTS

- Our Cabernet Sauvignon outperforms its competitors in the quality department.
- Our winemake is an expert in Cabernet production with two decades of experience making wine in Washington state.
- The area of the Horse Heaven Hills that the vineyards are located is the oldest regons of wine grape production in the state.