



2020 Merlot

Horse Heaven Hills

VINEYARDS

Coyote Canyon Vineyard

VINTAGE

The start of 2020 was wet for Eastern WA standards. Winter had average snow fall and the spring had enough rain to get growth off to a good start. The summer was long and hot with near perfect growing conditions. We started harvest in early September and continued until late October. Our Albariño grapes were picked in early September and have plenty of tropical notes and citrus flavors.

WINEMAKING

We machined harvested these grapes with our amazing Pelanc Harvester and delivered them to the winery for fermentation. We split the pick into two bins and used different yeasts on each lot. The two ferments were pressed off together and aged in French and American oak barrels. The result is a mix of lively fruit characteristics and some great toasty barrel notes.

TASTING NOTES

Dark ruby red color, coffee, spice, toast and red fruits. The flavors are bright and tasty. Medium bodied with great structure and length.

AWARDS:

90 points Seattle Wine Awards

DATA

Blend Composition:	93% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol:	14.8%
pH:	3.51
TA:	5.7g/l
Residual Sugar:	2g/l
Grower Degree Days:	3793
Precipitation:	5.31
Harvest Date:	September 2020
Bottling Date:	May, 2022
Case Production:	100