



## 2012 "GRAVITY" MERLOT

In what continues to be an unbelievably stellar vintage for the state, our 2012 "Gravity" Merlot helps showcase that overall quality with its dark lively coloring yet elegantly approachable bouquet that's packed full of black cherry and juicy plum. Smooth and velvety with a lovely lift of black berry and mocha that leads the mid-palate effortlessly to the dense, tarry flavors of black currant and smoke. The taut structure and bright acidity help streamline the long finish of vanilla and cedar spice. While drink well now, this Estate Grown Merlot will continue to thrive through 2017.

### ABOUT ALEXANDRIA NICOLE CELLARS

Founders Jarrod and Ali Boyle are dedicated to producing small lots of hand-crafted wine from our own Destiny Ridge Estate Vineyard. Through attentive viticulture management, balanced crop levels, gentle hand-harvesting and processing of grapes, and passionate winemaking, we produce consistent quality in every bottle. Located in the Horse Heaven Hills, our 327-acre estate vineyard is located high on the bluffs overlooking the majestic Columbia River. It is here, high on the dominate ridge, that our grapes thrive in these unique soils. It is here that our winemaker Jarrod nurtures the fruit quality from bud to bottle. Our belief is that quality starts in the vineyard.

### JUST THE STATS

**Vineyard:** Destiny Ridge Vineyard  
**Appellation:** Horse Heaven Hills  
**Aging:** Aged 22 months in 40% new French oak barrels & 60% 1-Year-old French oak  
**Varietal:** 92% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc, 2% Malbec, 2% Carménère  
**Production:** Release Limited to 478 cases

\$25 / 750ml. bottle (Retail)

Jarrod L. Boyle ~ Winemaker

### Awards

Seattle Wine Awards | Double Gold  
Wine Advocate | 90 – 92 points  
BTI | 92 points

