

This estate grown gem is our third bottling of this slightly unknown Rhone variety might be one of our smaller releases but nonetheless one of our favorites. This vintage is spicy, young and aromatic, showing notes of Herbs de Provence, red and black currants, blueberries, strawberry pie and a touch of toasted almond. The light use of French oak barrels creates a harmonious layer is well integrated as part of the many harmonious layers. Medium in body, the bright acidity keeps the spice notes fresh and helps make this Counoise drink well now or through 2018.

## 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**

**Appellation:** Horse Heaven Hills **Vineyard:** Destiny Ridge Vineyard

Barrel-aging: 18 months in 50% 1-year old and 50% in 2-

year-old French oak barrels

Varietal: 94% Counoise, 6% Syrah

**Alcohol %:** 14.2

Release limited to 243 cases \$38 / 750ml. bottle (Retail)

Jarrod L. Boyle Winemaker

