



2016 “LITTLE BIG MAN” PETIT VERDOT

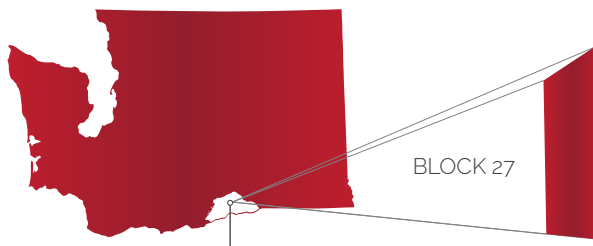
\$48 / 750ML. BOTTLE
(RETAIL)

TASTING NOTES

Our Estate Grown Petit Verdot is truly the oxymoron as the name suggests. In the vineyard the Petit Verdot yields open clusters with tiny berries. Tiny berry size leads to a high ratio of skin to juice contact during the fermentation process which creates a wine that exudes highly concentrated aromatic notes of violet, dried rose petal, cassis, raspberry, and blueberry. The palate shows an abundance of fine, silky tannins which give the wine its velvety mouthfeel. A touch of French and American oak adds complexity with flavors and aromas of vanilla, cedar and baking spice. Cleansing acidity persisting throughout the length of the wine retains balance and provides a long-lasting finish. Don't be misled by its name, "Little Big Man", as this is a big and bold wine that can hold up to most grilled meats, even such as wild boar or pork belly. While it is drinking well now, this wine will only benefit from some cellaring time. Don't forget to decant!

VINTAGE

2016 continued the trend of warm growing seasons in Washington marked by an early start. Bud break and bloom were significantly advanced from historical dates, with bloom occurring in some areas as early as the third week of May, a good two-plus weeks ahead of average. By the end of May, 2016 was easily on pace to surpass 2015 as the warmest vintage on record.



HORSE HEAVEN HILLS AVA
Located in South Central Washington

VINEYARD: Destiny Ridge Vineyard
APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills
AGING: Aged 18 months in 70% new French Oak and 30% American Oak
PRODUCTION: Release Limited to 308 cases
WINE MAKING TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle, Matt Dodson & Ryan Strom

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

VARIETAL:

100%
Petit
Verdot

SOIL

Wind Blown Sand
Missoula Flood Sediment
Hill Slope Rubble

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.

