



2016 “MEMBER’S ONLY” RED RHONE BLEND

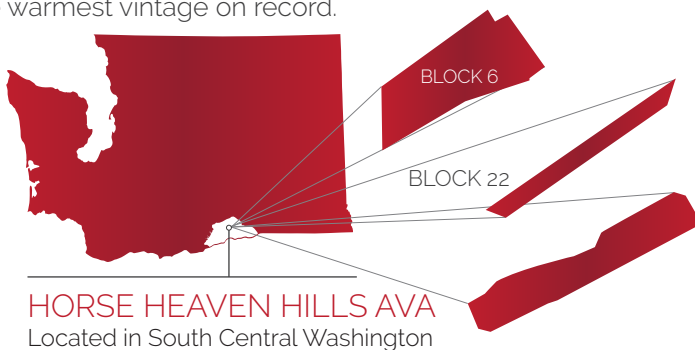
\$45 / 750ML. BOTTLE
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TASTING NOTES

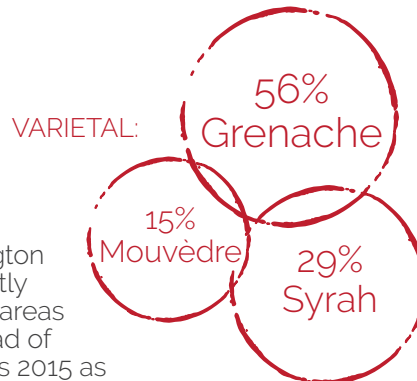
We are truly blessed to have the terroir at our Estate Vineyard, Destiny Ridge, to grow not only the bold classic Bordeaux varietals, but the rich and rare Rhone-style varieties as well. This Rhone red is blended and produced exclusively for our Wine Club Members. Our Alexandria Nicole Cellars winemaking team worked hand-in-hand with our 2018 Wine Club Blending Champion, Scott Kane, to bring this gem of a wine directly to you. The 2016 Member's Only is a Grenache based blend, showcasing beautiful aromatics of blackberry, Rainier cherry, raspberry, and currant. Blended to perfection, the wine reveals precise balance, through the supple tannin profile and pleasant acidity. The palate is filled with rich plum, ripe blackberry, and cherry coming to a harmonious and lengthy finish leaving flavors of baking spice, black cherry and hints of sweet tobacco. With great structure and balance, this red blend is ready to drink now but with its bright acidity will allow for a terrific future and can be cellared until 2022.

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.



VINEYARD: Destiny Ridge Vineyard
APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills
AGING: Aged 20 months in 35% new French Oak and 65% 2-year-old French Oak
PRODUCTION: Release Limited to 367 cases
WINE MAKING TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle, Matt Dodson & Ryan Strom



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.