



2017 “LITTLE BIG MAN” PETIT VERDOT

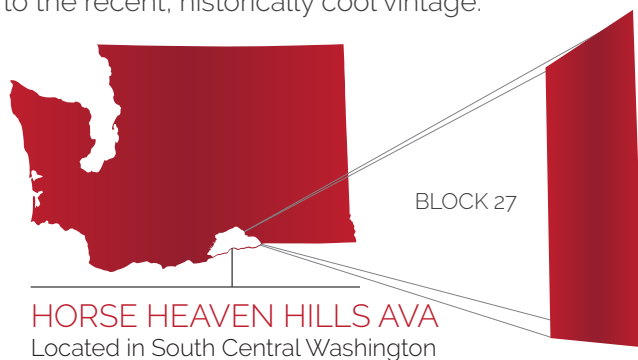
\$48 / 750ML. BOTTLE
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TASTING NOTES

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 concentrated aromatics of cassis, blackberry, violet, raspberry and a subtle hint of oak inspired cedar and vanilla. The palate offers fine, silky tannins that give the wine its velvety mouthfeel. A touch of American oak adds complexity with flavors of vanilla, cedar and baking spice acting as a sideshow to the main act of black cherry, plum and lilac. The cleansing acidity running the length of the wine and offers balance and 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

The 2017 vintage started out with a cool, wet winter, with significantly above average snowfall in eastern Washington. Going into spring, the cool trend continued. "We thought we might have another 2011 on our hands," one winemaker said, referring to the recent, historically cool vintage.



VINEYARD: Destiny Ridge Vineyard

APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills

AGING: Aged 18 months in 90% French Oak and 10% American Oak

WINE MAKING TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle & Ryan Strom

pH: 3.6

TA: 5.67 g/L



SOIL

Sandy Loam
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.