



2020 "BLOCK 17" SYRAH

\$45 / 750ML. BOTTLE
(RETAIL)

TASTING NOTES

This Estate-grown Syrah is produced from the Sara Lee Clone in Block 17 and was co-fermented with whole cluster Viognier grapes. This technique is Old World in style and increases color extraction and increased acidity while opening up a wide range of expressive aromatics. Our Block 17 Syrah shows no shortage of color in its deep, dark inky complexion. An elegant bouquet of rich blackberry, blueberry, and boysenberry pairs nicely with notes of cured meat, toasted nuts, and allspice. The fruitiness of this wine carries through to the palate which is full of black raspberry, cherry, cola, and black currant. This Syrah has a long finish with structured, velvety tannins. If consumed prior to 2023, please decant.

VINTAGE

The 2020 vintage started off with relatively mild with unusually warm temperatures creeping into the 100s during June. Heat units rose throughout the early summer providing an optimal window to ripen our cherished white varieties. Although much of Washington, Oregon, and California were plagued by smoke, Destiny Ridge was able to avoid the damaging effects, going on to produce quality wines. With temperatures once again dipping below freezing during October, this is sure to be a vintage to remember.



HORSE HEAVEN HILLS AVA
Located in South Central Washington

SOIL

Sandy Loam
Missoula Flood Sediment
Hill Slope Rubble

VINEYARD: Destiny Ridge Vineyard

APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills

AGING: Aged 18 months in 29% new French Oak and 71% Neutral Oak

WINE MAKING TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle & Reid Klei

AGING SUGGESTIONS: Decant until 2024 & Age 6-10 Years

ALCOHOL: 14.4%

pH: 3.85

TA: 6.1 g/L



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. At this location is where our winemaker Jarrod nurtures the fruit quality from bud to bottle. Our belief is that quality starts in the vineyard.