

2021 "PURPLE REIGN" GRENACHE

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TASTING NOTES

Like most legends and their lyrics, our Grenache requires a lot of special handling. Our Grenache is grown high on top of Destiny Ridge where it receives the perfect amount of adoration from the sun and the constant applause from the Columbia River breezes. The awards are optimal ripeness and complexity. The gorgeous pale garnet color present in the glass is just a teaser to the headlining aromatics of red raspberry, perfumy rose petals, and crushed herbs, which is accompanied by a nuance of peppery spice. On the palate, you'll find a lovely medium-bodied red that tantalizes the taste buds. Opulent flavors of strawberry, cranberry, cherry, blueberry, and subtle baking spice are balanced out by clean acidity. Make your taste buds sing by pairing with seared lamb chops marinated in herby gremolata or for a twist, try pairing with savory and creamy Pasta Carbonara. **VINEYARD**: Destiny Ridge Vineyard

APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills

AGING: 19 months in 32% New French Oak

and 68% Neutral Oak barrels

WINE MAKING

TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

pH: 3.86 TA: 4.9 g/L

VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage was a great one. Early season heat led to smaller berry and cluster sizes which created fruit with great concentration but not much yield. The warmer than average vintage led to very fruit-forward wines with a lot of ripe, fruity aromatics. And probably the best news of all, we managed to avoid smoke and an early freeze this year.



HORSE HEAVEN HILLS AVA

Located in South Central Washington

SOIL

Wind Blown Sand Missoula Flood Sediment Hill Slope Rubble



85%

Grenache

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.