

2021 "BIG SHOT" TEMPRANILLO

VINEYARD: Destiny Ridge Vineyard & Gordon Brothers

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BIG SHOT

DESTINY RIDGE VINEYARDS HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

ZO21 TEMPRANILLO

APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills & Columbia Valley

Oak and 71% Neutral Oak

AGING: Aged 18 months in 29% new French

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WINE MAKING

TASTING NOTES

Tempranillo is well suited to early ripening, so 2021's early spring and warm days inspired its small cluster formation and thick skins, creating its broodingly dark color and big warm notes of leather, dried fig, black raspberry, cherry, and cedar. On the palate, Big Shot is full of plum, strawberry, sweet tobacco, and earthy complexity that speaks to a bigger bolder glass than its lighter appearance may suggest. Well balanced, the slightly powdery tannins and medium acidity play nicely together. The mouthfeel is lusciously smooth and long-lasting. Delicious when paired with grilled lamb chops, vegetarian eggplant rollatini, or go BIG with paella for a crowd.

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.

ALCOHOL: 14.3%
pH: 4.11

TA: 5.4 g/L

22%
Syrah

78%
Tempranillo

TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle

AGING Drink Now and

SUGGESTIONS: can Age 6-10 Years

SOIL

BLOCK 34

HORSE HEAVEN HILLS AVA Located in South Central Washington

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. 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.