



2022 "SHEPHERDS MARK"

750ML. BOTTLE



Best of Show
PNW WINE COMPETITION



Gold
SEATTLE WINE AWARDS



Best of Class
SAVOR NW WINE AWARDS

TASTING NOTES

In the early 1900s, pioneering Shepherders left their mark on the Horse Heaven Hills in the form of rock monuments. Many still stand along the ridgeline of our Estate Destiny Ridge Vineyard. Alexandria Nicole Cellars was the first to produce this classic Estate Rhone blend of Roussanne, Marsanne, and Viognier in Washington State and it has been our signature white wine since 2004. This year's Roussanne-based blend shows aromatics of tropical fruit, nectarine, white peach, and orange peel, accompanied by background notes of minerality and white flowers. On the palate, you'll find flavors of pineapple, guava, and mandarin orange. The finish is full and juicy with notes and textures of mineral and wet stone. This versatile wine will pair well with a variety of different foods including seafood dishes with crab and lobster, spicy Thai cuisine, cream sauces, and brie or goat cheese. Serve chilled.

APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills

AGING: Stainless Steel Fermentation

WINE MAKING TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle & Reid Klei

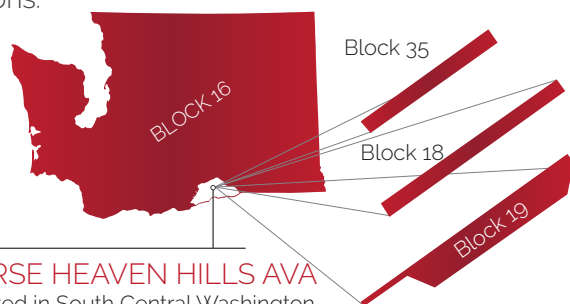
ALCOHOL: 13.2%

pH: 3.53

TA: 5.1 g/L

VINTAGE

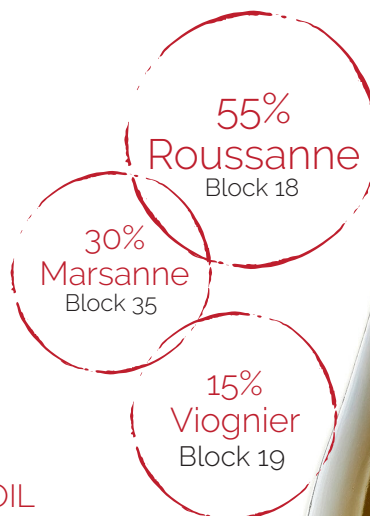
The 2022 vintage was a rollercoaster, to say the least. A slow start to Spring, which saw snowfall in the vineyards in April, then led to an unseasonably wet and cool beginning of summer. This caused the vines to get a very late start, but just when we were starting to worry a bit the typical beautiful warm weather of eastern Washington arrived in July and lingered on until well into October offering perfect ripening conditions.



HORSE HEAVEN HILLS AVA
Located in South Central Washington

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.

