



2021 GRAVITY MERLOT

750ML. BOTTLE

TASTING NOTES

The warmth of the Horse Heaven Hills leads to bold fruit flavors that are the foundation of rich, full-bodied wines. The cool nights temper the boisterous fruit by retaining the acidity required to create the framework to craft perfectly balanced wines. Our 2021 Gravity delivers! On the nose, layers of both fruity and earthy aromatics entice you to dive in. Intoxicating aromas of Luxardo cherries, warm blackberries, and angraise whirl in the glass followed by a bouquet of rose petals and arousing notes of dried herbs and warm baking spice. The layered fruit of this wine is complemented by notes of leather, espresso, and cedar not only adding complexity to the nose but throughout the richly textured palate. A refined tannin profile provides a velvety mouthfeel while cleansing acidity brings the wine to a lengthy warming finish. Gravity will pair perfectly with an espresso-rubbed brisket or ribs using your favorite low-and-slow method. In a hurry? Enjoy with our staff's favorite cheese pairing of Cypress Grove Midnight Moon Aged Goat Cheese as a perfect addition to your weeknight charcuterie board.

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.

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.

VINEYARD: Destiny Ridge Vineyard

APPELLATION: Horse Heaven Hills

AGING: 30% New French Oak Barrels
& 60% 2-3-Year-Old French Oak

WINE MAKING TEAM: Jarrod L. Boyle

PH: 3.88

TA: 5.5

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

