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2018 Rock Island Red

Columbia Valley, WA

AVA: Columbia Valley

SUB AVAs & VINEYARDS:

Wahluke Slope - Ravenscliff, Northridge, Clifton Hill, Clifton Columbia Valley - Den Hoed, Golden West

WINEMAKING NOTES:

The grapes were gently destemmed and allowed to cold soak in the tank prior to inoculation with yeast strains selected to emphasize terrior and varietal character. Once fermentation began (in stainless steel tanks) the grapes were pumped over twice daily to aid in the extraction of color and tannin. After approximately seven days, the free run wine was drained away for malolactic fermentation.

"2018 was an exemplary vintage, as near ideal growing conditions that I can remember in my 27 years in Washington. Essentially ideal conditions throughout the growing season, but in particular the fall ripening season."

Kendall Mix, Winemaker

TASTING NOTES:

AROMA / FLAVOR: Prominent dark fruit of black cherry, black-berry, and plum are accented with hints of vanilla, dark roasted coffee, and dark chocolate. After a very concentrated entry and mid-palate, the flavors persist on the palate for an extended finish.

VARIETAL(S): 39% Syrah, 30% Malbec, 17% Merlot,

14% Cabernet Sauvignon

DATE OF HARVEST: 9/26/2018 - 11/9/2018

BOTTLED: 1/15/2021

ALCOHOL: 13.5%; **TA(gal/L):** 5,7 g/L; **pH:** 3.73

AGING: Aged 25 months - 70% barrel aged in American Oak

(10% new barrels), 30% in stainless steel tanks.

