

Mark Ryan

WINERY

LONG HAUL

Red Wine | Columbia Valley | 2019

Winemaking Notes

The 2019 Long Haul is composed primarily of merlot from Quintessence Vineyard on Red Mountain combined with merlot from Red Willow Vineyard in the Yakima Valley. Quintessence is a relative newcomer to the Washington vineyard scene, with much of the vineyard planted within the last 10 years. Through exceptional vineyard management and site selection, this vineyard produces world-class fruit with intense dark aromas and flavors and incredible power across the palate. 70 miles to the west, Red Willow vines have an average age of 25 years and are planted on ancient soils above the deposition of the Missoula floods. Red Willow merlot offers a savory aromatic profile with complex depth and intensity on the palate. The weather in 2019 started cool and remained relatively temperate throughout the growing season. This allowed the fruit to ripen evenly and provided the opportunity for flavors to develop through extended hang time. The wine was fermented in a combination of 1.5, 2 and 5 ton open top fermenters for 7-10 days. Every effort is made to treat the wine as gently as possible. The must is never put through pumps and gentle punch downs occur twice per day. The wine is lightly pressed to barrel, where it finishes primary and malolactic fermentation and is aged for 21 months in 59% new French oak.

Tasting Notes

Our 2019 Long Haul gives perfumed aromatics mingled with dark fruits, plum, and mulberry on the nose. The palate has black cherry and blackberry notes with integrated oak characteristics and baking spices. Smooth, supple tannins complement balanced acidity. This full-bodied blend has a lengthy finish, it's inviting now and will cellar for many years.

BLEND

72% Merlot
20% Cabernet Sauvignon
2% Petit Verdot
1% Cabernet Franc

BARREL

59% 22mm French
Chateau Ferré Thin Stave
21 Months in Barrel

PRODUCTION

1,290 Cases

RELEASE

October 2021

APPELLATION

Columbia Valley

MATURITY WINDOW

2021-2031

VINEYARDS

Quintessence
Red Willow
Pinny Hill
Olsen

PAST ACCOLADES

2018: 93 Wine Enthusiast
2017: 93 James Suckling
2016: 93 Jeb Dunnuck
2015: 94 Jeb Dunnuck
2014: 91 Wine Advocate
2013: 93 Wine Enthusiast



Founded in 1999 by Mark Ryan McNeilly, **MARK RYAN WINERY** is a small winery located in Woodinville, Washington. Our goal is to produce handcrafted wines that represent the vineyard from which they come, the character of the varietal, and our style. From the vineyards to the winery, our uncompromising commitment to quality and our passion to produce the best wines possible, inspire us to make these wines for you.

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