



Cabernet Sauvignon | Columbia Valley | 2017



OLD VINES

Sabernet Sauxignon

WASHINGTON STATE

COLUMBIA VALLEY

Winemaking Notes

The 2017 Old Vines Cabernet Sauvignon honors two of the oldest and most well-respected vineyards in the state. At the core Klipsun offers powerful Red Mountain character with intense dark fruits, excellent palate weight and exquisite texture. Red Willow brings intense floral and spice notes, with exceptional balance and volume. Old vines tend to be more self-regulating in the vineyard, offering lighter crops, smaller berries and extremely concentrated aromatics and flavors. Our job in the cellar is to carefully extract these qualities, without going too far, and create a wine that captures the unique qualities that older vines tend to provide. Great care is taken to gently handle the must, which is never pumped and is punched down twice a day to create gentle extraction. Once fermentation is complete the wine is lightly pressed to barrel where it will age for 21 months in 72% new French oak.

93-95 points, Jeb Dunuck

"Coming from the Klipsun Vineyard on Red Mountain and Red Willow in Yakima, the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Old Vines is the old vine Cabernet Sauvignon of the estate and the vineyard sources change from year to year. This full-bodied effort reveals a saturated purple color to go with rich, opulent notes of blackberries, roasted herbs, graphite, and crushed rocks. It's a concentrated, rich, layered 2017 with good purity and a great finish."

BLEND

98% Cabernet Sauvignon 2% Merlot

BARREL

72% 22mm French Chateau Ferré Thin Stave 21 months in barrel

PRODUCTION

345 Cases

RELEASE

February 8, 2020

APPELLATION

Columbia Valley AVA

VINEYARDS

Red Willow Klipsun

MATURITY WINDOW

2020-2032

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.