



# JANUIK

## 2016 Columbia Valley Red Wine

### VINTAGE

The 2016 growing season got off to a fast start with warm spring temperatures that resulted in a very early bud break. Temperatures continued to climb into early summer, then moderated perfectly to slow growing conditions throughout July and August. Moderate temperatures continued into the fall, slowing the pace of ripening just enough to extend hang time, develop full flavors in the grapes and yield delicious wines that are both powerful and refined with pleasing freshness.

### VINEYARDS

One of the advantages of having made wine in the Columbia Valley since the mid-1980s is the opportunity it has given me to work with some of the most dedicated growers in the industry. Our Columbia Valley wines are made from a short list of vineyards I consider to be among the best in the state. The diversity of these vineyards-representing many of the most mature, carefully managed sites in Washington-provides for a full range of fruit expression that allows me to craft complex, multi-layered wines true to Columbia Valley *terroir* as well as the varietal character of the grapes. Our 2016 Red Wine includes grapes from Weinbau, Champoux, Ciel du Cheval, Lady Hawk, Shaw and Quintessence vineyards.

### WINEMAKING

After destemming and crushing, grapes were fermented on their skins for an average of eight days. After being pressed off, this wine was aged for 21 months in equal amounts of new and once used French oak barrels to improve its already lengthy finish. Racking the wine every five months created supple tannins and an elegant, stylish structure.

### TASTING NOTES

The nose is filled with expressive blackberry, raspberry and chocolate notes. On the palate, the wine is overflowing with fresh berry and spice flavors. A concentrated and balanced mid-palate follows into a nice supple finish.

Mike Januik, owner/winemaker

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### ANALYSIS AT BOTTLING

Total Acidity..... 0.55g/100ml

pH..... 3.78

Blend.....51% Cabernet Sauvignon  
20% Malbec  
8% Merlot  
7% Grenache  
6% Cabernet Franc  
5% Mourvedre  
3% Syrah

Cases.....3,192

Bottling Date.....August 28, 2018