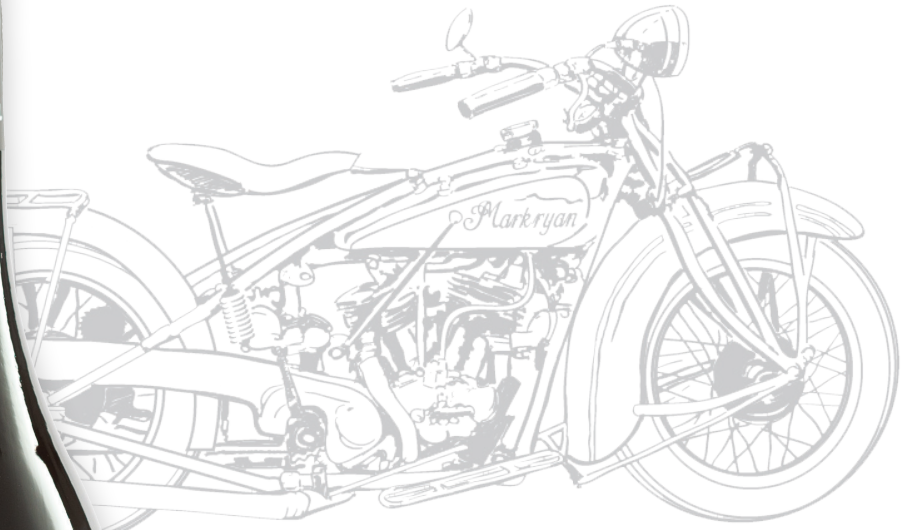
Board Track Racer

THE SHIFT



BLEND
68% Syrah,
20% Grenache
12% Mourvèdre

APPELLATION
Columbia Valley

VINTAGE
2016

PRODUCTION
2,000 Cases

2016 VINTAGE

2016 continued the trend of warm growing seasons in Washington marked by an early start. Bud break and bloom were significantly advanced from historical dates, with bloom occurring in some areas as early as the third week of May, a good two-plus weeks ahead of average. By the end of May, 2016 was easily on pace to surpass 2015 as the warmest vintage on record. To everyone's surprise, beginning in June, temperatures swung back toward normal. Many winemakers did not see the cool second half coming, and these cooler temperatures persisted throughout the majority of the summer.

TASTING NOTES

The 2016 Shift exhibits a brilliant purple color. Alluring fragrance of blackberry, dark cherry, and violet candies entice a first sip and blossom with time in the glass. The palate of blueberry, plum, vanilla, and cocoa is textured with lush fruit and vibrant with juicy acidity. A balanced and refined finish makes this wine entirely delicious and exciting to share.

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