



## MCKINLEY SPRINGS

HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

2023

### R. ANDREWS MALBEC

The 2023 R. Andrews Malbec captures the depth and character of our estate's Block 13, known for its slower ripening and extended hang time. This allows for greater complexity and a polished, elegant style. The wine displays a deep, inky color and opens with aromas of blackberry, plum, black raspberry, violet, mocha, and white pepper. On the palate, it is rich and smooth, with concentrated dark fruit flavors and a velvety texture. A balanced structure leads to a long, silky finish, offering both immediate enjoyment and aging potential.

#### BLOCK 13

LOCATION  
The heart of our  
estate vineyard

YEAR PLANTED  
2005

CLONE  
9

SPACING  
6ft x 9ft (807 plants/acre)

PICK DATE  
October 4th

ORIENTATION  
North/South

INITIAL BRIX  
25.0

#### VINTAGE

The 2023 vintage in the Horse Heaven Hills was a classic growing season, marked by average budbreak beginning on April 24th. Consistent, moderate temperatures throughout the season led to a timely start to harvest, with our first pick on August 25th. The absence of temperature extremes, combined with extended hang time and naturally lower yields, set the stage for a vintage of outstanding quality and balance.

#### ANALYSIS

VINEYARD  
McKinley Springs

TA  
6.2 g/L

AVA  
Horse Heaven Hills

PH  
3.94

BLEND  
100% Malbec

ALCOHOL  
14.5%

AGING  
Barrel aged for 22 months  
in 28% new French oak,  
28% once-used French  
oak, and 44% neutral  
French oak

