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2023 PREPOSTEROUS MALBEC

Our 2023 **Preposterous Malbec** is meticulously focused, concentrated and muscular. Floral on the attack with blue fruits, spice notes, dark chocolate, herbs and dusty minerals. Its fruitbomb and smoky earth mouthfeel is supported by firm silky tannins, and a slightly old world feel. A bit bashful right out of the gate, it blossoms with plenty of time in the glass or decanter (like a couple hours!). We look with great anticipation for this story to unfold over the coming decades.

Food pairing: Garlic honey smoked duck or Roasted crimini mushrooms with Maytag blue cheese

Movie pairing: *Apocalypse Now*

FOUNDERS' NOTES

Preposterous was launched in 2009, a complete shot in the dark. Malbec is a strange thin-skinned on the outside, neon green eyeball on the inside kind of grape that goes black in the fermenter on day three of the fermentation. Kind of odd. Our *Wine Spectator* 94-point 2010 vintage is still believed to be the highest scoring Malbec in Washington State history. **Preposterous.**

Grapes 89% Malbec, 11% Syrah

Vineyards Sagemoor, Sunset Bench, Gamache, Discovery

Appellation Columbia Valley

Aging 38% new French oak, 18 mos.

Alcohol/TA/pH 15.09%/0.56/3.80

Cases 215

\$48

93 pts *Owen Bargreen* (2021)

92 pts *Wine Spectator* (2021)

91 pts *James Suckling* (2021)

