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## 2022 PREPOSTEROUS MALBEC

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Our 2022 **Preposterous Malbec** is, as usual, intensely and deeply saturated in its purpleness, opening with a nose of blackberry, plum, and black cherry, and hints of chocolate, violet, and tobacco. The ridiculously generous palate reveals rich fruity flavors of black cherry, pomegranate, plum, raspberry, and blueberry backed by notes of tobacco, chocolate, crushed stone and coffee. Muscular but pretty and supple, this lovely thing will deliver guilty pleasure for ages.

**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 the highest scoring Malbec in Washington State history. **Preposterous.**

**Grapes** 93% Malbec, 7% Syrah

**Vineyards** Kiona, Sagemoor, Gamache, Weinbau

**Appellation** Columbia Valley

**Aging** 38% new French oak, 18 mos.

**Alcohol/TA/pH** 14.5%/0.51/3.86

**Cases** 313

93 pts *Owen Bargreen* (2021)

92 pts *Wine Spectator* (2021)

91 pts *James Suckling* (2021)

