

WATERBROOK

WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON

Malbec

2021 • COLUMBIA VALLEY

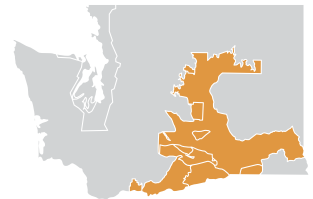
TASTING NOTE

"Fruit bomb aromas of blackberry and blueberry lead to sweet and fruity flavors of blackberry freezer jam, raspberry and flint. This is a full-bodied Malbec with round tannins that have a coffee bitterness on the finish. Dried cranberries and cassis on the finish. Try this wine with roasted lamb, venison, elk, or pretty much any red meat off of the grill. Will also pair nicely with hearty soups like wedding soups or beef and barley."

—John Freeman, Winemaker

VINTAGE NOTE

The 2021 growing season in Washington brought some of the warmest summer temperatures on record, and ultimately, a promising vintage with exceptional quality and flavors. Soaring vineyard temperatures were part of a 10-day heat streak in early summer, which, on the upside, helped prevent any disease from permeating the vines. Fortunately, our vineyard teams and management practices beat the heat and evaded damage. Veraison commenced in all our estate vineyards a few days ahead of last year. A modest yield of smaller, beautifully ripe fruit was the theme across our Washington estates. The reds from this 2021 vintage are bold with big tannins and concentrated flavors, with some of the darkest fruit seen in years; expect beautiful reds with cellar-worthy structure.



VINEYARDS

33% Alder Ridge, 27% Skyfall, 25% Roosevelt,
15% Canyon Vineyard Ranch

WINEMAKING

Varietal Blend: 100% Malbec

Aging: 22% new American oak barrels

4551 Cases Produced

TA: 6.3 g/l | PH: 3.85

Alcohol: 13.12%

ACCLAIM

2021 | 90 Points, Best Buy – *Wine Enthusiast*

2020 | Gold Medal – *Great Northwest Invitational*

2020 | Best NW Wines Under \$20 – *The Seattle Times*

2019 | 90 Points, Best Buy – *Wine Enthusiast*

