

STONECAP MOUNTAIN SELECTION RED BLEND 2021

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Columbia Valley, Washington



TASTING NOTES: Our StoneCap Red Wine offers an alluring bouquet of fresh red fruits underscored by savory herbal aromas, complemented by a hint of baking spices. On the palate, it presents a supple texture with layers of ripe red plums, cherries, and red currants, harmoniously balanced with subtle undertones of spices and a mineral edge. The finish is smooth, lingering with flavors of black plum, huckleberry, and a touch of black pepper.

VITICULTURE: The 2021 harvest proved to be spectacular with a record crop level and excellent quality. All factors needed for a success came together perfectly. Harvest started the third week of September and wrapped up in the second week of November. The crop across the state was heavy, yet bountiful with quality. Our Goose Ridge vineyard team enjoyed weather that enabled them to pick at will, affording perfect flavor, acidity and sugar levels.

STORY: StoneCap is made with estate-grown grapes from the expansive, renowned Goose Ridge Vineyard in Washington State's Columbia Valley. This valley and its surrounding rivers were formed during the Ice Age. The soil in this region is frequently wind-blown, leaving a "stonecap" at the top of the hills.

M.L. Monson brought his family to the Yakima Valley in the early 1900s. He came with a love for the land and the dream of building a family farming business that would continue for generations.

Initially, the focus was on orchards and cattle. In the 1990s, M.L.'s son Arvid began building in a new direction, establishing vineyards in the arid hills and valleys around Richland. This led to the founding of Goose Ridge Estate Vineyard & Winery in 1998.

Through years of remarkable growth and change, the family has remained true to the vision held by M.L. and Arvid Monson, and today Goose Ridge is led by Arvid's three children, Bill, Molly and Valerie

PRODUCER: Goose Ridge

ALCOHOL: 13.9%

REGION: Columbia Valley, Washington

GRAPE(S): 82% Syrah, 9% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Merlot