



2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Klipsun Vineyard, Red Mountain

Vineyard: Klipsun Vineyard, Red Mountain

Grapes: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage: Very warm growing conditions, with strong heat unit accumulation producing small berries with opulent fruit framed by firm tannin structure

Ageing: 22 Months in French Oak Barrels, 40% new

Aroma: Black currant, dark cherry, leather, mint, tobacco

Taste: Black cherry, dried currant, roasted nut, dusty tannin, leather, earth, cured meat, mint

Vegan: Yes

Alcohol: 14.5%

Lot size: 305 cases

Winemaker's Notes

Planted in 1983, Klipsun Vineyard is one of the oldest and most famous vineyards on Red Mountain, the smallest AVA in Washington State. I have produced a single vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon from the same block, on the windward side of the vineyard overlooking the Yakima River since 1991 and find it to be one of the most distinctive sites I have worked with in three decades of winemaking.

The wine has dark ruby color and aromas of ripe black cherries, licorice, mint, and tobacco. It is dense and powerful on the palate with intense earth and tannin structure combined with concentrated black fruits, cured meat, and earth characteristics. This wine will improve significantly with cellaring over the first five years and will hold nicely and continue to develop for ten to fifteen years from vintage date.

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