



**2018 Malbec
Gamache Vineyard
Columbia Valley AVA**

VINEYARD

Site	Gamache Vineyard was initially planted in 1982. Located on the white bluffs overlooking Basin City, the vineyard spans an elevation of 804-960 feet. The overall site is characterized by a gentle, mile long southwestern slope. The Malbec is planted on an eastern facing portion helping to preserve the grapes' acidity.
Soil	Primarily Warden sandy loam, which provides ample drainage for vines as well as curbing vine vigor.
Planted	Malbec planted in 2003

VINTAGE

Growing Season	2018 was considered a near perfect growing season. Warmer than average temperatures throughout the year, allowed grapes to ripen steadily. Despite wildfires leading up harvest season, many vineyards such as ours were not negatively impacted by smoke. Because the smoke was high enough in the atmosphere it allowed for some cooling affect in the hottest months.
Harvest Date - Brix	September 26 - 26.6°

WINEMAKING

Varietal Composition	100% Malbec
Fermentation	During fermentation, must caps were punched down by hand twice daily, until the desired tannin structure developed. After primary fermentation was complete, malolactic fermentation occurred in barrel.
Aging	21 months in French oak, 31% of which was new
Cases	214
Alcohol	15.1%
pH	3.73
Titrateable Acidity	0.58 g/100mL
Release Date - Price	May 2021 - \$42