



## 2018 Ramblers Red Wine Columbia Valley AVA

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### PRIMARY VINEYARDS

#### Red Willow Vineyard

This vineyard is nearly 50 years old making it an institution in Washington. A gentle south facing slope at 1100-1300ft of sandy loam soils, help grapes mature.

#### Quintessence Vineyard

Located on Red Mountain, this vineyard spans an elevation of 661-1106 feet. Its southern exposure and soil mixture of silt and sandy loam, creates optimal growing conditions

#### Shaw Vineyard

Located on Red Mountain, this vineyard spans 96 acres and scales an elevation of 500-1144 feet. The site is characterized by Kiona stony silt loam, Prosser silt loam, and Warden silt loam soils.

### VINTAGE

<b>Growing Season</b>	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.
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### WINEMAKING

<b>Varietal Composition</b>	57% Merlot 23% Cabernet Sauvignon 8% Petit Verdot 6% Malbec 6% Cabernet Franc
<b>Fermentation</b>	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.
<b>Aging Cases</b>	Matured in French oak, 41% of which was new, for 21 months
<b>Alcohol</b>	14.8%
<b>pH</b>	3.86
<b>Titrateable Acidity</b>	0.52 g/100mL
<b>Release Date - Price</b>	December 2021 - \$40