



2019 RESERVE CABERNET FRANC

The 2019 Matthews Reserve Cabernet Franc was crafted from several small vineyard parcels across four AVAs in Washington State: Columbia Valley, Red Mountain, Royal Slope and Walla Walla Valley. Farmed using sustainable practices, the vines were primarily limited to one cluster per shoot or three clusters per spur to create maximum concentration in each cluster. They were hand-harvested in the early fall mornings of October 2019.

Upon arriving in the winery, each cluster was hand-sorted, berry-sorted, and then fermented in either stainless steel (91%) or concrete (9%) tanks. It was then moved to 100% custom French oak barrels for 25 months of cellaring. The resulting 19 barrels were bottled in December 2021, producing only 467 cases.

“The 2019 Matthews Reserve Cabernet Franc shows medium to deep purple in hue with aromas of cassis and syrupy blueberry that evolve into herbal scents of sweet peas, chamomile-mint tea and camphor. This wine shows a classic Cabernet Franc flavor profile that mingles green flavors of snap peas, oolong tea and sage with dark fruits, mocha and cardamon. Medium bodied with robust tannins and balanced acidity, this intensely expressive wine lingers on the mid-palate with black forest cake richness.”

— Bryan Otis, Proprietor

DETAILS

Labeled AVA	Columbia Valley
Varietal Composition	85% Cabernet Franc, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Merlot
Fermentation	91% stainless steel, 9% concrete
Aging	25 months in 100% new French oak
Alcohol	15.2%
Case Production	467
Drinkability	Now–2038
Retail	\$90

VINEYARDS

Columbia Valley AVA	Bacchus
Red Mountain AVA	Angela's, Canyons
Royal Slope AVA	Solaksen
Walla Walla Valley AVA	Blue Mountain, Pepper Bridge

