

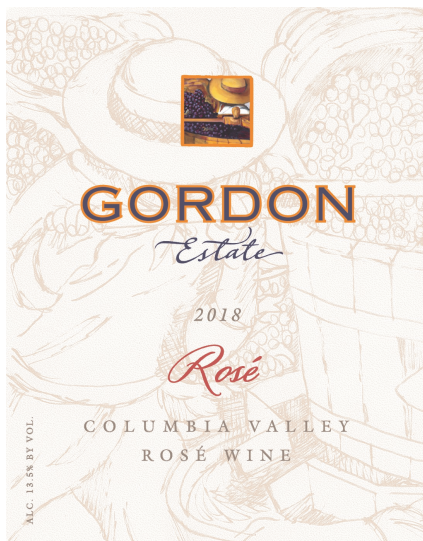


# GORDON

## *Estate*

### 2018 *Rose ' of Syrah*

ESTATE GROWN – KAMIAK VINEYARD - COLUMBIA VALLEY, WA



#### VINEYARD

- The estate vineyard is south-facing and is perched some 620 feet above sea-level
- The vineyard has excellent air drainage and benefits from the river's moderating influence.
- The vines are sometimes blanketed by snow in the winter, but spring and summer offer sunshine and warmth allowing the grapes to ripen completely.
- Temperatures during the growing season can fluctuate from 95 degrees Fahrenheit the day to 55 degrees Fahrenheit at night.
- Vines are grown on their own rootstock yielding 'true' grape varieties. Typical vine spacing is 6' by 10' ..... vertical shoot positioning.
- The vineyard is amply supplied for irrigation.....

- **COMPOSITION:** 100% Estate Syrah
- **FERMENTATION:** 100% Stainless Steel
- **AGING:** 4 months in neutral French Oak
- **pH:** 3.30
- **TA:** 5.8 g / L
- **ALCOHOL:** 13.5%
- **PRODUCTION:** 170 Cases
- **HARVESTED:** September 2018
- **BOTTLED:** March 2019

#### VINTAGE NOTES

The growing season started out with a cooler than average April, delaying bud break slightly. Immediately thereafter, temperatures warmed way up. May was one of the warmest months on record and we went from being almost 2 weeks behind to right on track by the 1st of June. Bloom time weather was ideal which led to a good and consistent fruit set and those conditions remained through harvest. The warmer temperatures made it very similar to 2017. We did not have any rain nor freezing temperatures clear into November which allowed for maximum hang time and excellent phenolic development.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

Direct pressing of handpicked fruit yielded delicate color. Brief barrel aging allowed for micro-oxygenation letting the wine breathe and reach its potential. Aromas of honeydew melons. Flavors of passionfruit and white pepper with a lush full body. River rock minerality on the finish with notes of caramel.

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