



FORCE *Majeure*

2019 FORCE MAJEURE ÉPINETTE

Our Red Mountain Right-bank Bordeaux inspired blend, “Épinette,” spent a long maceration and fermentation in both concrete and stainless steel vats and was aged in French oak barrels. The blend changes each vintage, either being dominated by Merlot or Cabernet Franc. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

“It’s rich and decadent on the nose with aromas of huckleberry, black cherry and blue plum skin. It delivers a lovely balance of high acidity and ripe, grippy tannins alongside concentrated flavors of baked black and red fruit, smoky spices, cedary herbs, pencil shavings and saline. It needs another year or two in the bottle before it comes into its own.”

2022-2032

- 95 Points, Jeremy Young, *International Wine Report*



57% Merlot | 23% Cabernet Franc
17% Cabernet Sauvignon | 3% Petit Verdot

Fermented in concrete
and stainless closed top tanks
Aged in 65% new French oak
Red Mountain AVA

100% free run
Release price \$95 / 750mL
250 cases produced