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*Majeure*

2022 FORCE MAJEURE RED MOUNTAIN  
GRENACHE

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2021 is the first vintage of Grenache for Force Majeure. In 2015, we planted additional Grenache vines on the sandy lower slope of Red Mountain. The vines are “goblet” trained.

Original plantings on this site began in 2006, where the Grenache is planted in the rocky upper-slope with shallow soils. Cultivation of this site involved the careful matching of varietal and clonal selections, trellising and irrigation to the eight distinct soil types in our vineyard that were formed by the ancient Missoula floods and volcanic activity. The outcome is a vineyard articulated into many small “micro-blocks,” maximizing the potential of this unique and dynamic site. This steep vineyard ranges in elevation from 960 to 1,230 feet and is, of course, completely farmed by hand. Additional blocks of Grenache were added in 2015.

The overall exposure of the Red Mountain site is west/southwest, and the Syrah planted on the hill is tightly spaced to provide some shade on the fruit. The soils have a volcanic foundation, being composed of fractured basalt, concretioned ash and wind-blown loess with a high calcium carbonate content and granite erratics from the Missoula floods.



100% Grenache  
20% Whole Cluster  
Fermented in concrete vats  
18 months in neutral French oak, large format  
Red Mountain AVA  
100% free run  
Release price: \$85 / 750ML  
207 cases produced