



TA: 0.58 g/100 mL

PH: 3.8

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

BLEND:

51% Syrah, 31% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7%

Merlot, 3% Grenache, 3% Malbec, 3%

Mourevedre, 2% Barbera

COLUMBIA VALLEY

## 2018 Indian Wells Red Wine Blend

### ADDITIONAL NOTES

Since 1967, the dedicated winemakers at Chateau Ste. Michelle have crafted some of the most spectacular wines in the world - notably through the meticulous approach to Indian Wells.

### VINTAGE NOTES

- 2018 was another stellar growing season and vintage in Washington.
- Warm spring temperatures were followed by mild conditions throughout the growing season allowing for extended hang time and flavor development.
- Warm fall days allowed for full ripeness and color, while cool Washington nights helped maintain crisp natural acidity.

### VINEYARD NOTES

- Nearly half of the fruit was sourced from vineyards in the Wahluke Slope in Washington state.
- Warm, sunny days and cool evening temperatures create ideal conditions for intense aroma and flavor development in the ripening grapes.
- Vineyards were selected for producing high quality, ripe fruit, yielding wine with intense color and flavor.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

- The winemaking team harvested the grapes for pure fruit character and expression.
- Gentle pumpovers were used to extract optimal flavor and color and minimize harsh tannins.
- Aged for 18 months in 16% new American, 16% new French oak barrels and 68% neutral American and French oak.

### TASTING NOTES

"Specially selected and carefully aged, this premier Red Blend highlights warm-weather vineyards with a robust palate of boysenberry and biscotti."