



# CHESTER | KIDDER

## 2019 CHESTER-KIDDER RED WINE COLUMBIA VALLEY GILLES NICAULT, WINEMAKER

### TASTING NOTES:

A beautifully dark and concentrated wine with wonderful aromatics. The mouthfeel is soft and lush on entry with sweet spice that becomes rich on the wine's mid-palate. Fresh fig and ripe plum flavors are interwoven with notes of graphite and an alluring earthiness. The 2019 Chester-Kidder is a flavorful and structured wine with a silky, textured mouthfeel and vibrant finish.

### VINTAGE:

The 2019 vintage produced excellent red wines of exceptional quality and consistency. The season started slowly. Unexpected late winter snow held on until mid-March, and as a result, soils were slow to warm; April bud break was delayed, but by May, the temperatures climbed to accelerate bloom. Summer weather was mild with no heat spikes, and the temperatures stayed moderate into the fall. Grapes ripened slowly, but the pace allowed the fruit to reach full physiological maturity, resulting in a vintage notable for its fresh, elegant style.

### BLEND:

62% CABERNET SAUVIGNON  
35% SYRAH  
3% PETIT VERDOT



### WINEMAKING:

Premier lots of Cabernet Sauvignon underwent extended maceration to produce intense color and flavor. Tight-grain Sansaud and Le Grand French oak barrels (85% new) were selected to stand up to extended time in barrel and to enhance the wine's spiciness and refined texture. The extra time in barrels ensured the fruit was fully integrated and added an extra layer of complexity to the mid-palate. Supple and flavorful on release, this wine will also reward those who choose to cellar it.

### VINEYARDS:

Summit View Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon from the Walla Walla Valley brings classic Cabernet aromas, flavors, and a textured mouthfeel to this rich, multi-layered wine. Candy Mountain Syrah adds structure and layers of sweet spice. Dionysus Vineyard Petit Verdot completes the blend by adding balanced acidity and dark fruit character that lifts the finished wine.

ALCOHOL: 14.9%

PH: 3.82

TA: 0.60 GRAMS/100ML

PRODUCTION: 2,160 CASES