## 2016

### Merlot RED MOUNTAIN



### MARKET VINEYARDS HISTORY

Market Vineyards is a dream brought to life by five partners, Steve Anderson and Daniel Schulte of Kansas City, and Matt Riesenweber, Bob Bertsch, and Kelly Precechtel Bright of Washington State.

Four of the partners have backgrounds in the financial market's arena and the other in custom construction. Their attention to detail and quality comes second nature. While vacationing, the partners sat on the rooftop of the Beijing Hotel overlooking the Forbidden City sampling a large variety of wines. The rooftop view was no less than world-class. Glass in hand, they decided to create a wine that matched the atmosphere they were enjoying. Their passion for wine led to the creation of the handcrafted wines they share with you today.

### WINEMAKING PHILOSOPHY

Market Vineyards' philosophy is reflected by their choice in having one of Washington State's industry leaders, Charlie Hoppes, as their winemaker.

Market Vineyards takes pride on being able to have access to hand-picked fruit sourced from premier Washington State vineyards located in the Columbia Valley and Red Mountain growing regions. The attention to detail and premium quality is not just noticed in the fruit chosen but also in the artistic abilities in the cellar. Custom French and American barrels are hand-selected so they are properly matched for each vintage that is produced.



# Alpha

This exquisite single-vineyard Merlot illustrates what Washington State Merlots have become known for, leveraging the great tradition of Merlot and exemplifying what Red Mountain appellation has to offer. Illustrating exceptional depth with a dark garnet hue the wine offers complex aromas of pure, rich fruit, espresso and Belgium dark chocolate. The wine is balanced, well-structured and lusciously rich with soft velvety tannins that offer enchanting fruit flavors. Featuring roasted plum and dark currant on the palette, the wine is accented by plenty of toasted caramel, barrel spices and earthy, rich truffle notes. The wine is years from peak expression and will age gracefully while continuing to develop for years to come. Drink now through 2029.

### **VARIETALS**:

Merlot 100%

### VINEYARDS:

Scooteney Flats

100%

ALCOHOL:

14.9%

CASES:

72

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