



PROPRIETOR'S RESERVE
2015 AURELIA
COLUMBIA VALLEY

Varietal Composition:	57% Roussanne & 43% Marsanne
Appellation:	Columbia Valley
Bottled:	June 16, 2016
Technical Data:	Alc. 14.5% by vol.; RS: 0.33%; TA: 5.73 g/L; pH: 3.51
Cases Produced:	614
Production & Aging:	Stainless steel fermentation, Aged for 5 months in seasoned Oak

THE VINTAGE

The 2015 vintage was one for the record books with an exceptionally warm growing season which led to an historically early start and end to the grape harvest in Washington state. At Maryhill Winery, the arrival of grapes began on August 24th and carried strong until the final delivery on October 15th. Although the warmest growing season on record, the quality of the fruit was phenomenal and the wines from the 2015 vintage show to be well-balanced with deep, concentrated flavors.

THE VINEYARD

Sourced from two award-winning vineyards in Washington state's Columbia Valley AVA - 57% McKinley Springs Vineyard (Roussanne) and 43% Art den Hoed Vineyard (Marsanne).

THE WINEMAKING

Throughout harvest, Winemaker Richard Batchelor worked closely with local growers and visited each vineyard to taste for maturity and ripeness to determine the precise moment to pick the fruit. Grapes were harvested during the cool hours of the morning to preserve bright fruit notes and destemmed into the press, where each lot was processed on a champagne cycle. This is a slower press cycle that is extremely gentle on the fruit ensuring optimum fruit character is preserved. The wine was fermented at 50°F for thirty days to ensure the wine's fruit character was preserved to its fullest.

TASTING NOTES

"Aurelia", from the Latin "Aurelius" (golden), is a blend of Roussanne and Marsanne. Bright straw color; Juicy wine with pear, citrus, and blossom notes, balanced flavors of grapefruit, honey, and peach with mellow wood character throughout that finish harmoniously.

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