# **CHASING RAIN**

Chasing Rain Merlot 2018



## NATURE'S GIFT TO WINE

Adversity reveals character and that is precisely the obstacle that Chasing Rain overcomes. As Red Mountain only receives 6-8 inches of rain per year, our wine stewards have a passion and hands on approach to applying the perfect amount of irrigation to our land. This allows us to consistently produce some of the best wines the world has to offer.

### THE MAGIC OF RED MOUNTAIN

Red Mountain's inherent nature is a gift to wine making. Marry that with Chasing Rain's blend of traditional and modern methods, an old-world reverence for the land, and a time-honored process that values craft and quality over speed and volume, and the potential for legendary wines is boundless.

It's clear that Mother Nature loves a good red wine, for she bestowed upon the Red Mountain AVA a confluence of idyllic conditions that winemakers typically only dream of. The region was formed over 10,000 years ago, the result of receding glacial floods and severe weather that deposited a combination of nutrient-rich soil and layers of sand and silt — perfect for growing grapes. Situated in the far corner of Washington's Yakima Valley, Red Mountain has already made a name for itself by consistently producing award-winning, 95 to 100-point vintages.

### TASTING NOTES

Subtle notes of licorice, cola, vanilla and mocha. Bursting with ripe fruit on the palate with loads of black cherries and plum. Dense, chewy midpalate tannins lead to a long fruit-driven finish.

#### TECHNICAL SPECS

Composition: 76% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Malbec, 4% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot

Appellation: Red Mountain AVA

Aging: Barrel aged for 18 months in 35% New American Oak

Alcohol: 14.5 %

Total Acidity: 4.7 G/L

pH: 3.94