



## RED-TAIL RED V.3

AVA: *Rogue Valley, Oregon*

### VINEYARD DATA

Source: 95% purchased fruit from Gold Hill, Oregon, 5% from the 2Hawk estate vineyard

### HARVEST DATA

Avg. Brix: 24.0 Avg. pH: 3.58 Avg. TA: 6.2

### WINEMAKING DATA

Composition: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot, 15% Cabernet franc, 10% Syrah  
Aging: Avg. 21 months in 30% new French oak

### BOTTLING DATA

Production: 390 cases  
Bottled: 15 August 2017  
Released: 10 December 2017  
Alc. 13.8% pH: 3.61 TA: 5.9 g/L

Retail Price: \$22

### TASTING NOTES

Red-Tail Red, our house red blend, has been a great source of artistic expression for our winemaking efforts. We believe we have been able to provide significantly more focus for this wine with our third rendition. In the v.3, Cabernet Sauvignon once again plays the prominent role, making up fully half the blend with Merlot and Cabernet franc in the background. We ended up with a tremendously fruit-forward wine filled with intense blackberry and boysenberry fruit aromas with hints of cedar, pipe tobacco, and blueberry compote that needed some additional structure and a bit of “joie de vivre” to fit our desired profile. The choice of Syrah as the finishing touch, certainly not by accident, gives the wine lift on the finish while also bringing in an untamed flare of personality that balances the ripe black fruit, sweet oak, and caramel flavors in a way that reminds us of how beautiful—and rugged—the Rogue Valley can be. This wine will be freshest from 2018 through 2021 and should provide an additional two to three years of enjoyment following. We like this wine with dry-rubbed tri-tip on the smoker, grilled fennel, and roasted garlic potato mash.