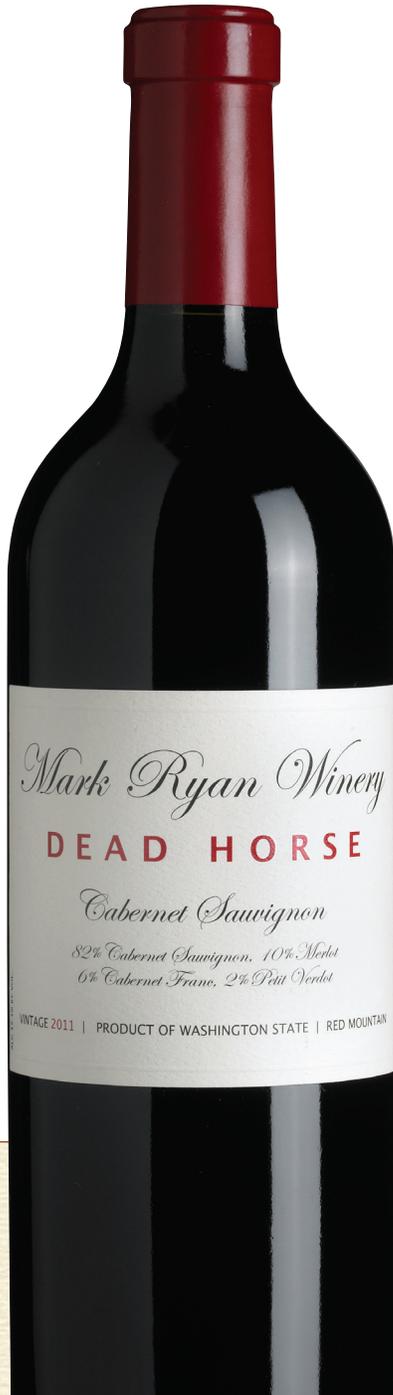


Mark Ryan

W I N E R Y

DEAD HORSE *Cabernet Sauvignon | Red Mountain*



The 2011 Vintage

Very similar to 1999 a late bud break was followed a very cool summer. Warmer weather finally began in August and early September. Picking dates were up to two weeks later than the previous year. Rain presented challenges in late September and then again throughout October. Winemakers and vineyard managers had to decide whether they should pick early and try and limit rot damage or roll the dice, add hang time and sugar, and hope to avoid significant loss due to rot. Those that gambled were rewarded. The wines produced are a combination of beautiful aromatics, profound elegance and wonderful balance. Texturally superior, the 2011 Vintage from Mark Ryan is peerless in its purity, balance and freshness.

Tasting Notes

The 2011 Dead Horse exemplifies the 2011 vintage's remarkable fruit purity and outstanding texture. Dense aromas of red and black currants mingle with dark floral notes and subtle minerality. Swirling the glass will coax blackberry compote and sweet vanilla. Upon the first taste, the palate is enveloped with supple, velvety black cherry wrapped in layers of black currant, mineral and spice. We're impressed with this wine's focus, weight and finesse. The finish is seamless, carrying soft, ripe tannin and fresh acidity. While the 2011 Dead Horse is certainly built to age, we believe its youthful vibrancy is a virtue to explore.

BLEND

82% Cabernet Sauvignon
10% Merlot
6% Cabernet Franc
2% Petit Verdot

BARREL

70% New French Oak
30% Second Fill French Oak
Aged for 22 months

PRODUCTION

1,250 Cases

RELEASE

October 5th, 2013

APPELLATION

Red Mountain

VINEYARDS

Ciel du Cheval
Obelisco
Klipsun

"An estate that's getting up into the creme de la creme of Washington State producers... the wines have overall classical profiles, with bright acidity and tannin, that never lack for fruit or depth."

— Jeb Dunnuck,
The Wine Advocate

Founded in 1999 by Mark Ryan McNeilly, **MARK RYAN WINERY** is a small winery located in Woodinville, Washington. Our goal is to produce handcrafted wines that represent the vineyard from which they come, the character of the varietal, and our style. From the vineyards to the winery, our uncompromising commitment to quality and our passion to produce the best wines possible, inspire us to make these wines for you.

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