



# LUCIA ROSE

Red Blend | Columbia Valley | 2018

### Winemaking Notes

Every year our goal is to create a wine unlike any other offered in the Mark Ryan portfolio, whether it is a traditional Bordeaux style blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc, or simply an outstanding lot from one of our premiere vineyards.

To create the 2018 Lucia Rose, we selected fruit from some of our finest blocks, Olsen, Quintessence, and Red Willow. Olsen lends balance and freshness, with complex, savory non fruit aromas and flavors. Quintessence offers explosive blue fruit aromas and a layered, dynamic finish. Red Willow Vineyard offers a dense, meaty core of black and blue fruits with a long supple finish.

Each block was hand harvested beginning the first week of October. Fermentation took place in 2 ton open top fermenters and lasted between 10 to 12 days. Great care is taken in the cellar to handle the must gently; it is never pumped and is punched down by hand twice a day. Fermentation rounds are done daily to track the progress of the fermentation and alert the winemaking team as to when the wine is ready to be pressed. The wine is lightly pressed to barrel where it finishes primary and malolactic fermentation. Aged in 80% new French oak for 21 months the wine was racked twice prior to bottling.

## Tasting Notes

Big aromatics of black and blue fruits, graphite, grilled meats and sweet herbs. This full-bodied Petit Verdot has great density with flavors of blueberries and blackberries with hints of wildflowers and wet stone. This is a big wine with great acidity, balance and ripe tannins.

#### **BLEND**

90% Petit Verdot 10% Merlot

#### **BARREL**

80% 22mm French Chateau Ferré Thin Stave

21 months in barrel

#### PRODUCTION

240 Cases

#### **APPELLATION**

Columbia Valley

#### **VINEYARDS**

Quintessence Olsen Red Willow

### MATURITY WINDOW

2022-2033

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.