SUBSTANCE

2022 SUBSTANCE 'Rb' RED BLEND

TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

New beginnings. Provocative moment. Expressive, complex, bright, juicy, and forward in place... dark, big and with a lively disposition. Black plum, black currant, dried blueberry intertwined and layered with black licorice, dark chocolate, pipe tobacco with a touch of amaro, black tea and marzipan... delightful, exciting, and just truly awesome.

ABOUT

Substance 'Rb' Red Blend, the latest offering from the Substance brand, exemplifies our unwavering commitment to producing outstanding yet accessible wines. This new Washington State blend marries the distinctive attributes of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec, and Sangiovese, offering a profile rich in nuanced layers, remarkable depth, and aging potential.

True to the philosophy of our Substance brand, the Substance Rb Red Blend is crafted without commercial yeasts or additives, guaranteeing a pure experience. This mindful approach ensures that our customers enjoy the wine with minimal adverse reactions while its integrity remains pristine on the shelf.

Our passion for innovation shines through in the unique presentation of this blend, a hallmark of the Substance brand identity. The prominent 'Rb' emblazoned on our label leaves no room for ambiguity—it's the Red Blend that promises to delight both the occasional sipper and the discerning aficionado.

VINTAGE NOTES

2022 was a unique year for wine grapes in Washington State. A slow start due to a late spring eventually balanced out into an even and warm summer, ultimately leading to one of the longest falls we have ever experienced. Our vineyards, which produce great grapes year in and year out, harvested fruit that lent itself to extremely special wines this year. Wines that are firm, bright, and beautiful, with lovely aromas. We're excited to watch them continue to develop and provide enjoyment for years to come!

WINEMAKING

Vineyards: Golden West (Cabernet Sauvignon), Golden West (Merlot) Mrachek (Cabernet Sauvignon), Frenchman Hills (Cabernet Sauvignon), Evergreen (Malbec), Art Den Hoed (Sangiovese)

Varietal Breakdown: 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot, 10% Malbec, 2% Sangiovese

Appellation: Columbia Valley

Production: 3.8 tons per acre, native yeast, 100% whole berry fermentation in stainless steel tank | 35 days on skins | 10 months barrel aged in 30% new French oak barriques

Wine Analysis: 5.9 g/L titratable acidity, 3.47 pH | 14.5% alcohol, no residual sugar
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