

COR

2022 CABERNET FRANC

Alder Ridge Vineyard | Horse Heaven Hills



HARVEST DATE: October 8th

VINEYARD: Alder Ridge Vineyard

PH: 3.63

TA: 5.2 g/L

ELEVAGE: 10 months 100% neutral oak

BOTTLED: August 2023

ALCOHOL: 13.8%

CASES PRODUCED: 390

THE LEGEND: The first vintage of Cabernet Franc was made at COR in 2005. We aim for a wine that celebrates the cooler climate style with this varietal, retaining verve and pep. A continual favorite amongst staff and guests, the Cab Franc has become an old friend: a welcome visitor that continues to delight and comfort whether fresh off the bottling line or dug out from the cellar.

THE TASTE: The 2022 vintage got off to a slow start and was trending cooler until we were within view of the finish line with temperatures heating up in the final stretch. The 2022 Cabernet Franc reflects this late kiss of warmth with a copious core that bounds upon lifting acidity and an herbaceous baseline.

THE PLACE: With its first vines planted 1997, Alder Ridge sits on the southern edge of the Horse Heaven Hills AVA, closer to the Columbia River. It is a bone-dry desert averaging four inches of annual rainfall with sandy soils. The block of Cabernet Franc we receive is on a north facing slope and we celebrate the more feral characteristics this positioning lends.