

## 2016 PETIT VERDOT

## McKinley Springs Verinyard | Horse Heaven Hills AVA

TASTING NOTES: Ain't nothing petit about this here verdot. She's voluptuous with violets and wet stones, plums and moss. A rare beauty, this wine is perfect for curling up with beside a roaring fire. You won't know which one is keeping you warmer.

VINTAGE NOTES: 2016's growing season was a hot one, and the end of summer screeched to a halt as we began harvest with Tempranillo on August 26th. As September cooled down, our vineyards ripened in perfect weather, and we were wrapped up with Petit Verdot on October 12th, about 2 weeks ahead of our coolest vintages. The reds seemed ready to tuck into barrel ahead of the long snowy winter, and awakened in Spring as if from a deep slumber, well rested and ready to work.

HARVEST DATE: October 12, 2016

BRIX: 24.5

**PH:** 3.63

FERMENTATION: 1 ton open top

ELEVAGE: 22 months French oak (100% neutral)

BOTTLED: July 2018

**ALCOHOL:** 14 3%

CASES PRODUCED: 175

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Luke Bradford launched COR Cellars in 2004 by planting a small vineyard in Lyle, WA in the Columbia Gorge AVA to Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc. With a focus on whites from the Columbia Gorge and reds from the Horse Heaven Hills and eastern Gorge, COR now produces 10 wines, all of which play an integral role in COR's translation of the Northwest's wine story. All of our grapes are handharvested and throughout the winemaking process, we handle the wines minimally as we raise them into their maturity. Our goal is for our bottled wine to represent the youthful energy and enthusiasm that we feel for winemaking.

