## Matthews

## 2018 Cuvée



Labeled AVA Columbia Valley

Cases Produced 2,207

Varietal Composition 60% Merlot, 21% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Cabernet Franc

Fermentation Combination of concrete and stainless steel tanks

Aging New French oak barrels

Alcohol 14.4%

Drinkability Now - 2027

Retail \$34

The 2018 Cuvée was crafted from several vineyards across the Columbia Valley, Walla Walla and Red Mountain AVAs. Farmed using sustainable practices, they were hand-harvested in the early mornings September 21- November 2, 2018. Each cluster was hand-sorted, berry-sorted, and then fermented in a combination of concrete and stainless steel tanks.

After fermentation, the wine was moved to French oak barrels for cellaring. After 40 individual evaluations by our winemaking team, only 37 barrels were bottled in early October 2020.

"Red and black currants, spiced plum and black cherry. Swirling brings up red fruits and sandalwood. Fresh, but ripe, with bright fruit and good tension. Long and smooth tannins with a finish of plum, blackberry and vanilla bean spice."

-Aryn Morell, Winemaker

## SELECT VINEYARDS

1 Columbia Valley AVA	Stillwater Creek, Solaksen, Scarline
Walla Walla Valley AVA	Eritage, Pepper Bridge
3 Red Mountain AVA	Hedges Family Estate

