



2012 Scootney Flats Malbec

Red Mountain AVA | 140 Cases Produced

Vineyard

Named for the Scootney soil that makes up ninety-five percent of its soil, Scootney Flats is showcasing some of the best Bordeaux varietals Red Mountain has to offer. The granular nature of the soil allows the vines to create and sustain a deep root system. This vineyard was planted in 2007 and is one of the lower elevation vineyards in the Red Mountain AVA. The microclimate, latitude (N46°), temperature swings and high velocity wind all work in concert to ensure small grape clusters and an unrivaled intensity of flavor in the fruit.

Winemaking

2012 is the vintage that will prove that when Nature is doing what she is called upon to do in these parts and the results are worthy of notice, recognition and dare I say fame. Rainfall held off just when we needed it to and for an extended period of time, allowing us to make exactly the pick decision that we wanted. As always, we used the D254 yeast, neutral French Vicard oak and punch downs instead of pumpovers. Drink the 2012s- any variety, any winemaker, thoughtfully. This is the year you may just become a Washington wine advocate.

Tasting Notes

100% Malbec. Red Mountain brings the thunder in this quintessential big burly Malbec. Iron, tar and cherries meets currants, Asian sauces, baked plum and cacao dust. Bold tannins cap an aromatic start with uber-classic Red Mountain Finish with a capital "F."