## **Long Shadows Pedestal Merlot**

**Long Shadows Vintners** 

**United States - Washington - Columbia Valley** 

Michel Rolland, Pomerol vintner and consultant to many of the world's top wineries, teamed with Washington State wine visionary Allen Shoup to produce this limited release wine.

Vineyards: Pedestal Merlot was predominately grown on the Wahluke Slope, a warm area of the Columbia Valley that produces Merlot with layers of fresh, dark fruit and beautiful aromatics. A small amount of Merlot from Dionysus Vineyard helped build layers and complexity. Red Mountain's Tapteil Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon added backbone. Malbec from Sonnet Vineyard contributed concentration and pretty violet aromatics.

Tasting Notes: A concentrated and layered wine offering dark fruit aromas with a hint of tobacco. The mouthfeel is opulent, with luscious wild blackberry and chocolate-covered black cherry woven around an appealing note of spicy clove. Beautifully complex, the flavors and weight of the wine combine to leave a rich, satisfying finish.

| <b>Specification</b> | S   |  |
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| Appellation          | Columbia Valley   |  |
| Varietals            | 82% Merlot, 14% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Petit Verdot   |  |
| Vinification         | Hand-harvested grapes were double-sorted before fermentation to remove any green materials that might impart harsh tannins. Afterwards, most lots were cold soaked to build richness and flavor before undergoing whole-berry fermentation in 1,500-gallon upright wood tanks to add richness on the palate. The finished wine was aged 22 months in French oak barrels, 85% new. |  |
| Production           | 2,890 (9-liter cases)   |  |



| Codes, Weights and Measures |                              |                                |
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| UPC                         | 7 84585 01069 1              | 7 84585 01574 0                |
| Units/Case                  | 6                            | 6                              |
| Unit Size                   | 750 mL                       | 1500 mL                        |
| Container                   | bottle                       | bottle                         |
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| Case Weight                 | 23                           | 37                             |
| Cases/Pallet                | 56                           | 56                             |
| Layers/Pallet               | 14                           | 14                             |
| ABV                         |                              | 15.2%                          |
| SRP                         | \$ 69.99 USD<br>750mL Bottle | \$ 125.99 USD<br>1500mL Bottle |

## **Reviews and News**

2019 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 94 PTS - WA

| 2019 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 93 PTS - WS      |
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| 2019 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 92 PTS - JS      |
| 2018 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 96 PTS - VINOUS  |
| 2018 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 95 PTS - JD      |
| 2018 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 92 PTS - JS      |
| 2017 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 95 PTS - JD      |
| 2017 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 92+ PTS - VINOUS |
| 2016 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 95 PTS - JD      |
| 2016 Long Shadows Merlot Pedestal - 94 PTS - WA      |