

2019 Justine

Southern Rhône-Style Red Blend

The Story of This Wine. Justine reflects our belief that Washington is capable of producing world-class blends of grape varieties traditional to the Southern Rhône region of France. The name is inspired by one of the great heroines of recent literature, who also sprung from the imagination of the Mediterranean. Dark, seductive, complex, with a chasm of depth. The Justine is a great reflection of Avennia's mission of expression, and Washington's generous terroir.

Winemaker Tasting Note. "Notes of black cherry, raspberry reduction, cola, thyme, desert sage, blood orange peel, and crushed river rock are all featured in the aromas and flavors of this wine. The palate is silky and layered, with a richness that's notable in this vintage. There is some structure and grip that will make this a great candidate for the cellar. Drink 2022-2033." - Chris Peterson, Winemaker

Vintage: 2019

AVA: Yakima Valley

Blend: 62% Grenache,
23% Mourvèdre, 15% Syrah

Vineyards: Upland Grenache,
Kiona Heart of the Hill Mourvèdre,
Oldfield Syrah Clone 383

Winemaking: Native yeast, aged
16 months in 9% new French oak,
91% neutral French oak.
Bottled unfined, unfiltered.

Alcohol: 14.7%

Release: September 2021

Cases: 317

Previous Vintage Scores

2018: 96 points & Cellar Selection, Wine Enthusiast; 94 points, Jeb Dunnuck

2017: 93 points & Editors' Choice, Wine Enthusiast

2016: 92 points, Jeb Dunnuck; 91 points, Vinous

2015: 92 points & Editors' Choice, Wine Enthusiast; 92 points, Wine Advocate

2014: 92 points & Editors' Choice, Wine Enthusiast; 92 points, Wine Advocate

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