

HILL FAMILY

2019 Red Door

Production: 404 cases
Composition: 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Malbec, 6% Petit Verdot and 4% Merlot
Vineyard: Windy Flats, Beau Terre and Spiteri
Cooperage: 35% in new oak (Icone, Treuil Tradition, Nadalier Noisette, Remond)
Alcohol: 15.5% alc, 3.73 pH, 5.5 TA
Bottling date: July 22, 2021
Release date: May 2023
Release price: \$98.00

Red Door is a wine blended to take advantage of our best lots that work together in the most rich and flavorful way, regardless of variety or sub-appellation. In 2019, Cabernet Sauvignon from Windy Flats vineyard had the most intense flavors, spice, and structure. Small lots of Malbec and Petit Verdot from Windy Flats were also useful together building intensity and complexity. Merlot from Beau Terre always adds boysenberry fruit and depth. They have wonderful individuality that would be lost in a big blend, so the Red Door can give them a place to show off. From these outstanding lots we created a small quantity of amazing wine. It is still evolving, and we learn more about how different vineyards and varieties blend together every year, but great fruit and new oak work to build the Red Door into our most hedonistic wine.

Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

The 2019 Red Door has an expansive nose of black licorice, fruity Halawy date, cassis and dark chocolate. The palate rolls smoothly along with plushy blueberry and blackberry flavors, deep ripe texture, and a jammy cherry and mocha finish.