

2018
Roussanne
Grand Klasse Reserve
Royal Slope/Columbia Valley



Release Date:
February 2021

Blend:
100% Roussanne

pH:
3.51

Alcohol:
12.5%

Winemaker:
Aryn Morell

Cases Produced:
55

MSRP:
\$28/bottle

Wine Club Only



The Wine

This medium-gold, 100% Roussanne shows intense notes of lemon zest, baked apple, herbs, and dry apricot. Swirling brings raw honey, chamomile, and oak spices. The mouthfeel is rich and balanced, with beautiful texture and sweetness, without losing vibrancy and length.

The Winemaking

The fruit was grown sustainably at our Corfu Crossing vineyard, then harvested by hand and carefully sorted. The grapes were gently pressed to conserve acidity. The juice was barrel fermented in 600L puncheons and went through full malolactic fermentation. The wine was aged in puncheons for 14 months and then bottle aged for another year before release.

The Vineyard

Gård Vintners is 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards, featuring eight distinct vineyard sites in the Royal Slope AVA. With elevations that range 930 feet to 1,675 feet and primarily a south-facing slope, Lawrence Vineyards provides a great framework for grape production, while the diversity of each of the locations delivers a high level of complexity to Gård wines. We also farm vineyards on the Wahluke Slope and Conner Lee in the Columbia Valley. Lawrence Vineyards is certified sustainable by Vinewise.org.

The Grand Klasse Reserve Label

Inspired by the French Grand Cru wines, Gård "Grand Klasse" is our reserve-level program, aptly named in reflection of our Scandinavian heritage. To be designated "Grand Klasse," each wine must meet strict standards of quality and is blended, bottled and aged with the utmost of care to bring you the very best of our grapes and effort in the bottle.

The Winery

Gård, meaning "farm" in many of the Scandinavian languages, is a tribute to our family's Scandinavian heritage and farming tradition. Founded in 2006, Gård Vintners is a family-owned and operated estate winery in the heart of Washington's Royal Slope AVA, with vineyards on the Royal Slope, wine production in Walla Walla with tasting rooms in Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville.