

## 2021 The Don, Royal Slope



### THE WINE

Kirsch liquor, orange peel, red licorice, and sandalwood. Swirling brings crème de cassis, rhubarb, cherry compote, green olive tapenade, and dry herbs. The mouthfeel is playful and mouthwatering, with tons of red fruit, citrus, and savory tones. The mid palate is lively, with a perfect combination of sweet and savory flavors, and remarkable texture and finesse. The wine finishes vibrant, with a kiss of red fruit sweetness, spice, and a mellow grip to make you crave another sip. Beautiful now, you can enjoy this deal of a wine for the next 8 years.

### THE WINEMAKING

This is stainless steel fermented, with extended maceration. Aged in stainless steel for 14 months.

### THE VINEYARD

Gård Vintners wines are 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards, featuring 14 distinct vineyard sites. With elevations that range 870 feet to 1,675 feet and primarily south-facing slopes, Lawrence Vineyards provide a great framework for grape production, while the diversity of each of the locations delivers a high level of complexity to Gård wines. Lawrence Vineyards is certified sustainable.

### 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 Prosser, tasting rooms in Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville and Gård Public House restaurant in Royal City.

#### RELEASE DATE

Fall 2024

#### WINEMAKER

Matías Kúsulas

#### BLEND

78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Syrah

#### VINEYARD

Solaksen

#### ALCOHOL

13.5%

#### CASES PRODUCED

1600

#### MSRP

\$28

#### AWARDS & ACCOLADES

90 pts – Owen Bargreen

91 pts – Jeremy Young, Int'l Wine Report

91 pts – Critic's Choice - Sean Sullivan

