



James Malbec

MALBEC | WAHLUKE SLOPE AVA 2021

WINEMAKING NOTES

We use our native fermentation and extended maceration techniques to ferment this wine in stainless steel for 35 days. It's then pressed and transferred to French oak barrels where it lives for almost 2 years.

TASTING NOTES

This wine keeps getting more sophisticated as the grapes get more mature. Efestē's Malbec project started when the vines were just sticks in the ground. Lots of big red fruits on the nose that lead into a very big and jammy mouthfeel. The finish is long and spicy, this one will make you salivate so be sure to have your favorite meats to grill and pair!

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

James Vineyard, located within the Wahluke Slope AVA of Washington State. This AVA is known for its unique terroir, shaped by the Columbia River and the Saddle Mountains, which create an arid climate ideal for grape cultivation. James Vineyard, spanning 140 acres of rocky terrain, has gained renown for its exceptional red grape varieties, with Malbec being a standout. The region's exposure to strong summer winds and its geological features contribute to the intensity and character of its fruit. The fruit showcase the distinct qualities of their origin, offering wines of exceptional depth and complexity.

BLEND

100% Malbec

BARREL

60% new French oak
40% used French oak
22 months in barrel

PRODUCTION

204 cases

RELEASE

Spring 2024

APPELLATION

Wahluke Slope AVA

VINEYARDS

James Vineyard

PAST ACCOLADES

2020 – 94 OB; 93 IWR
2019 – 92 OB

ANALYSIS

ALC 13.5%
pH: 3.77
TA: .62



EFESTĒ winery was established in 2005 by Daniel and Helen Ferrelli, along with their son-in-law and daughter, Kevin and Angela Taylor. Since its inception, the EFESTĒ's primary focus has been producing award-winning wines using minimalist techniques, including native fermentation and low oxygenation techniques. EFESTĒ sources its exceptional grapes from the finest regions in Washington, emphasizing single varietals and their Estate vineyards. Experience the culmination of our passion: distinctly Washington, Uniquely EFESTĒ.

