

COLTERRIS WINERY

Founded in 2010, COLTERRIS is family-owned and operated in the Grand Valley AVA, Palisade, Colorado. The name COLTERRIS means "from the Colorado land."

Colterris Estate Wines will always be produced 100% from our family vineyards.

Situated along the Colorado River, the high-altitude meso-climates and volcanic soils of our vineyards contribute to the rich color, intense fruit flavors and robust character that make COLTERRIS wines unique.

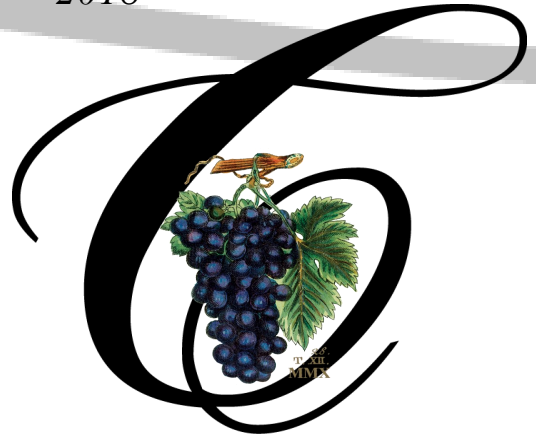


Colterris®

MERLOT

Grand Valley

2018



WINEMAKER NOTES

Blackberry cobbler and dark plum are the main aromatics for this wine. In the glass the wine displays bold ripe blueberry and a touch of fig preserve paired with a good amount of tannins. This layered wine shows just a touch of well-integrated oak before drawing to a long, smooth finish. Pair with sharp cheeses, caramelized roast squash or beets, smoked ham and beans, baked pasta dishes, balsamic marinated and grilled chicken, and pan seared filet mignon.

VINEYARD DETAILS

43% Riverside Vineyard Merlot, *Clone Unknown, planted 1991*
29% Theresa's Vineyard Merlot, *Clone ENT 348, Planted 2012*
14% Vinelands Vineyard Merlot, *Clone Unknown, Planted 1999*
8% Riverside Vineyard Merlot, *Clone 3, Planted 1998*
3% Theresa's Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon, *Mixed Clones, Planted 2001*
3% Katie's Vineyard Malbec, *Clone 9, Planted 2011*

PRODUCTION NOTES

2018 represents the first vintage we had fruit from Vinelands Vineyard. True to form for Colorado Merlot, the 2018 Vinelands Vineyard Merlot was big and concentrated, showed great fruitfulness with just a touch of underlying savory Rosemary. The tannins were present, but well-integrated and add great structural elements to the palate. Aged 17 months in 20% new French Oak.

Bottled May 6 and 7, 2020. 794 cases produced.

TECHNICAL DATA

Varietal Composition: 94% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Malbec

Appellation: Grand Valley AVA

Harvest Dates:

Riverside Vineyard Merlot, Clone Unknown, 9/12/18

Theresa's Vineyard Merlot, Clone ENT 348, 9/20/18

Vinelands Vineyard Merlot, Clone Unknown, 9/24/18

Riverside Vineyard Merlot, Clone 3, 9/10/18

Theresa's Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon, Mixed Clones, 10/24/18

Katie's Vineyard Malbec, Clone 9, 9/24/18

Winemakers: Bo Felton and Justin Jannusch

RS: 0.0 g/l **ABV:** 14.7% **pH:** 3.59 **TA:** 5.7 g/l