

# Flavorscape

Unconstrained experimentation in the cellar has been happening for years. Skin contact white wines hiding in that corner. Perhaps Gamay Noir with carbonic maceration in the lone fermenter? Way in the back where no one can see, there are sparkling wines of varying extended disgorgement. These trials and experiences have been a continuing education allowing the creation of the refined Gran Moraine wines you know. **Come explore the Flavorscape universe.**

## 2023 GRENACHE

light and airy

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Grenache is the warm climate analog to Pinot noir. Lighter in color and tannins, difficult to grow, susceptible to disease, absolutely stunning when grown in the right environment and vinted by craftspeople with a light touch. I knew that if we were to do this The Rocks were the one place that would be compelling enough for us to put our collective efforts 100% into the project. The wine tastes like the rocks and funk of where it's grown and is obviously made with the light hand of a Pinot noir winemaker. It's delicious and compelling and has something to say. The Rocks Grenache is a natural extension of the Flavorscape. A way for me to kind of close a loop that started out by riding in those old 1970's Ford pickups during the summers of my childhood.

**VINTAGE** The 2023 vintage in Walla Walla experienced mild temperatures and lot's of summer rain. A more challenging year for producing big reds.

**AROMAS** Strawberries, wet stone, roasted wild boar, navel orange peel, wild Nootka rose, Peony, cranberry, pomegranate.

**FLAVORS** Tangelo, pink grapefruit, evergreen huckleberry, cornflakes, vanilla, cardamom, gravel road, hint of matcha

**TEXTURE** Huge uplift in the front palette all the way across and broadly moving to the mid. Sailing downward toward the cleansing finish. Throughout the texture there is certainly broadness and density, yet the mouthfeel remains refreshingly light and airy..

**VARIETAL** 100% Grenache

**AGING** 17 days on skins, 50% new French oak

**ALCOHOL** 13.6%

**VINEYARD** Hallowed Stones, The Rocks AVA

**WINEMAKING** 30% whole cluster

**TA** 4.80 g/L      **pH** 3.64

Gran Moraine wines shine a light on the monologue of the Gran Moraine Vineyard, lifting its voice and vibrant energy through a signature style of elegance and restraint, with a fresh through-line of acidity. A style that has established the winery as a leader in the Willamette Valley.

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