



GOOSE RIDGE

ESTATE WINERY

2007 ESTATE RIESLING GOOSE RIDGE ESTATE VINEYARD COLUMBIA VALLEY

GOOSE RIDGE ESTATE VINEYARDS AND WINERY is a family-owned and operated winery dedicated to limited production, handcrafted wines from select, estate-grown grapes. The Monson family's vineyard is planted on a south-facing slope in Washington's Columbia Valley adjacent to Red Mountain that consistently yields rich, ripe grapes. The family has farmed in the Columbia Valley for four decades and is known for their commitment to quality. Goose Ridge Vineyard is built on that tradition.

WINEMAKER

Acclaimed winemaker Charlie Hoppes has his pick of the vineyard. Fermenting and aging wines in small lots from a handful of blocks carefully selected for their exceptional character and complexity is exactly what the Monsons had in mind for Goose Ridge when they founded the winery in 1999.

VINEYARD

When the family decided to plant grapes on a sun-drenched hill adjacent to Red Mountain, they did so under the guidance of Dr. Walter Clore, considered by many the "father" of the Washington wine industry. Dr. Clore was impressed by the site's gentle, south-facing slope and the growing area's warm temperatures. He encouraged the Monsons to plant vineyard rows north-to-south to maximize sun exposure, and he also advised the family to plant the site in small blocks to facilitate estate-grown wines managed for low yields through careful pruning and thinning practices. As a result of the vineyard's attention to detail, grapes ripen evenly and the wines are consistently ripe, rich and fruit-forward.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

"Unabashed and fragrant. The straw toned hue sets up a nose that offers Bosc pear, golden delicious apple, apricots and honeysuckle; the parade of aromatics is bound by a fresh lemony fragrance. The palate is medium bodied; this Riesling is a touch richer with delightful elements of residual sugar to balance its bright acidity. Stone fruits, nectarine and floral elements dominate while pleasing touches of minerality act as supporting cast. The finish is long and clean."

Charlie Hoppes
Consulting Winemaker

APPELLATION: Columbia Valley

BLEND: 100% Goose Ridge Estate Riesling

TOTAL ACIDITY: .55

pH: 3.42

ALCOHOL: 13.2%

