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2016 ROUSSANNE BALLARD CANYON

The Ballard Canyon Roussanne is made entirely from Stolpman Vineyard, one of the finest Roussanne vineyards in Ballard Canyon. The site is thoughtfully farmed by grower Ruben Solorzano. Winemaker Angela Osborne selects the optimum picking time for the site and then she guides the wine through fermentation to offer a nuanced expression of the variety.

After harvest, the fruit is gently whole cluster pressed and the fermentation happens naturally with ambient yeast in a combination of neutral French barrels and stainless steel. To highlight mouthfeel and a balance between the two varietals, the wine was aged on lees for 11 months. The lees help bring additional texture and depth to the wine, while the stainless steel barrel helps bring out Roussanne's spine of resplendent acidity. The result is a gorgeous balance of concentration, freshness and texture.

VINEYARD: 100% Stolpman

VARIETIES: 100% Roussanne

AVA: Ballard Canyon

ALCOHOL: 13.4%

pH: 3.63

WINEMAKING: 100% whole cluster pressed, barrel fermented

ELEVAGE: 13 months in neutral French barrique,
50% stainless steel barrel

BOTTLING DATE: May 1, 2018

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