

# DEUX SOLDATS

ESTATE VINEYARD & WINERY

## 2018 Winemaker's Red Blend Walla Walla Valley

### The Vineyards

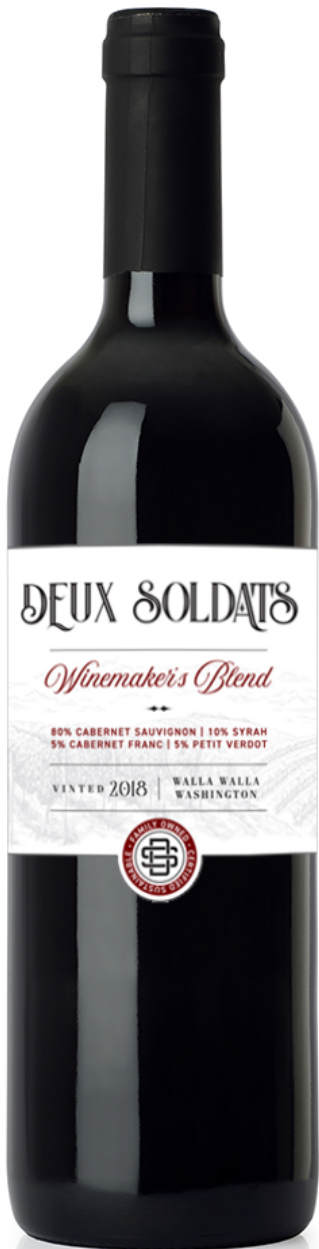
We sourced 90% of the grapes for this Red Blend in 2018 from our Estate Deux Soldats Vineyard (*Two Soldiers*), a 10-acre vineyard planted in 2011 at an elevation of 886 feet about a mile north of the Washington-Oregon border. Vineyard soil is composed of Spofford Silt Loam and sand, and wind-blown glacial loess which provides a porous, well-drained, mineral-rich soil. The remaining grapes were sourced from Summit View Vineyard in the Walla Walla Valley, planted in 2009 and sitting on a Northeastern slope at 1200-ft. in elevation.

### The Vintage

2018 offered up a near-perfect growing season with warm, dry summer conditions and a beautiful "fall-like" September and October, which allowed acids to develop while the grapes matured. The resulting wines are ripe, pure and balanced.

### The Wine

Our 2018 Winemaker's Blend is a "best barrels, best blend" offering, joining together the ripe, red fruits and spice notes typical for Cabernet and Syrah with the firm tannins, bright color, and structure that small amounts of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot provide. The palate is rich with aromas and flavors of ripe black cherries and crushed raspberry, with rich fruit mingling with whiffs of spice-box. White pepper and cinnamon linger with lively tannins, and the sleek, bright acidity brings you back in for another taste. Drink now, or hold for 3-5 years for future enjoyment.



#### THE BLEND:

80% Cabernet Sauvignon  
10% Syrah  
5% Each, Petit Verdot &  
Cabernet Franc

#### VITICULTURE:

LIVE Certified  
Salmon Safe Certified  
100% Estate Grown

#### TECHNICAL DATA:

Harvested mid-October  
14.8% alcohol  
.595 Total acidity  
3.8 pH  
Aged 18 months in 20%  
New French Oak

RELEASED: December, 2020 / 260 Cases Produced

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