

# BALBOA

## 2019 Grüner Veltliner

### Tasting Notes

Exotic aromas of lime blossom, crushed rocks, citrus rind and pink peppercorn leading into spicy floral notes. The palate shows bright acidity with flavors of lemon, lime and ripe grapefruit with guava and white peach.

### Production Notes

The 2019 Grüner Veltliner is our fifth vintage of this wine and continues to incorporate more of our Estate Balboa Vineyard fruit into the final blend.

### Vineyards

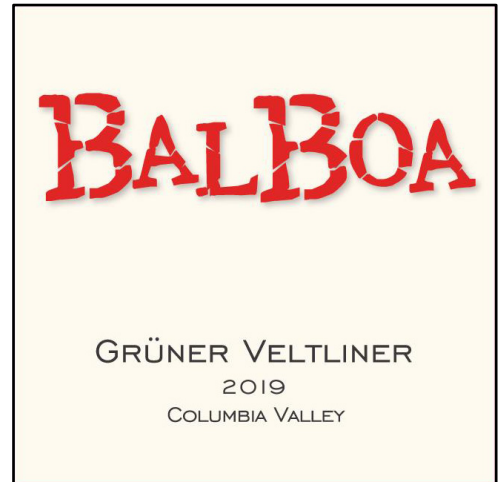
- Bloxom Slope Vineyard, Columbia Valley
- Estate Balboa Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley

### Winemaking

- Hand harvested grapes
- Picked early in the morning
- Gentle whole cluster pressing to stainless steel to settle out solids
- Primary fermentation in stainless steel at cool temperatures
- The wine was blended and aged for 6 months in stainless steel
- Light fining and cross flow filtration prior to bottling

### Vintage

- 2019 was overall a very mild year with below average heat units.
- The growing season started slow with snow throughout February and March which delayed bud break.
- Temperatures warmed throughout May helping with bloom and vine development.
- Cooler July temperatures delayed veraison a little over 7 days before our typical hot August temperatures accelerated ripening.
- Harvest began on September 12<sup>th</sup> and lasted through mid-October, slightly earlier than normal due to frost concerns.
- This vintage has led to elegant wines with high natural acidity and slightly lower alcohols, making them perfect food pairing wines.



### Wine Data

*Appellation* ..... Columbia Valley  
*Varietal* ..... Grüner Veltliner  
*Composition* ..... 100% Grüner Veltliner  
*Vineyards* ..... Bloxom Slope Vineyard  
..... Estate Balboa Vineyard  
*Vintage* ..... 2019

### Technical Notes

*pH* ..... 3.34  
*Total Acidity* ..... 6.7 g/L  
*Alcohol* ..... 12.5%  
*Harvest Date* ..... 9/12-9/13  
*Bottling Date* ..... February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
*Production* ..... 250 cases