

# FOUNDATION CELLARS

We ran into Foundation Cellars at their tasting room in Woodinville (a wine-tasting mecca about 30 miles northeast of Seattle). We were really excited about the wines they're making and learned about their winemaker and vineyards. We also discovered they have a bit of excess inventory and they asked us to help them sell the remaining tidbits to our discreet customers.

Foundation Cellars sources their fruit from the top vineyards in Red Mountain and the Columbia Valley and have been doing so for almost two decades. How did we miss these guys?

Their winemaker is Darby English. If that name rings a bell, it's because Darby owns his own highly regarded eponymously named winery. Darby cut his teeth at the foot of the masters in Washington state, having worked with Mark McNiely of Mark Ryan, Tim Stevens at Stevens Winery, Chris Gorman at Gorman Winery and Bob Betz at Betz Family Winery. Nice resume, huh?

So here are the wines Foundation Cellars is allowing us to sell to a handful of our discreet customers:

**2018 Ransom Note Columbia Valley Red Blend:** This wine was sourced from several wonderful vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills and Red Mountain AVA's. This is a mouthful of black current, fig and spice. It's a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petite Verdot and Malbec and has never been discounted below its \$38 SRP. It is available for \$13.33/\$19.99 About 47% off winery retail. There are only 100 cases available. *No Internet advertised prices are a condition of purchase.*

**2019 Rusty Cage Red Mountain Red Blend:** This wine was sourced from a couple of Red Mountain vineyards. You'll get espresso, chocolate and cherry notes. It's a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petite Verdot and Syrah and has never been discounted below its \$38 SRP. It is available for \$13.33/\$19.99 About 47% off winery retail.. There are only 90 cases available. *No Internet advertised prices are a condition of purchase.*