

Mission

King's North is the story of two brothers, their love of wine, and the vision of creating a label that truly places the grape as the focal point. To us, King's North is simply about bottling the vineyard; capturing all the natural elements throughout each passing vintage. Specifically, Oregon's diverse set of regions, vineyards, varietals & clones.

Who

The brothers. Sid & Mac Heinze, both owners & winemakers. Sid is lead viticulturist, Mac is head of business operations.

What

Distinctive small batch bottlings that give a true sense of place. By taking a minimalistic approach in the winery, we aim to preserve the nuanced complexity of Oregon, in its purest form.

Where

The true north of west coast winemaking, the Willamette Valley. Nestled between the Coastal Range and the eastern Cascades, this dense agricultural hub is being transformed to a worldrenowned wine region. Here, our cool climate and shorter growing season gives way to elegant, layered Pinot noir and supporting varietals.

How

Always learning. We've been blessed to be surrounded by a community of skilled mentors that imparted their craft. We owe it to them to keep grinding, stay humble and never stop asking questions.

Why

For the love of wine in this very special place.

2018 King's North Tempranillo StoneTree Vineyard Columbia Valley, Washington

Cases Produced: 60 Price: \$42 Viticultural Area: Columbia Valley, WA Soils: sand & silt Ioam Harvest Date: 9/9/18 Cooperage: 18 months in 16.5% new American oak Alcohol: 13.8%

While Oregon's Willamette Valley is our home, we're blessed to neighbor Washington's famed grape growing region, the Columbia Valley. There you will find a whole other world of wine just a couple hours away. Because of its continental climate, being more inland on the eastern side of the Cascade Range, the Columbia Valley's arid landscape creates enough heat during its growing season to nurture some of our favorite warm climate white & red wine grapes. Within this region, you can find bolder reds: Cabernet Sauvignon, Tempranillo, Syrah, Mourvèdre, Merlot. And warmer climate whites: Roussanne, Viognier, Sauvignon Blanc. After all, variety is the spice of life, and one cannot live on Pinot Noir alone, therefore King's North will produce an annual, rotating variety of our favorite reds & whites from this stunning wine region.

Our 2018 Tempranillo is a very limited release, with only 60 cases produced. Styled after the grape's native Spanish roots, our Tempranillo used traditional winemaking techniques commonly used in Rioja- even to go as far as inoculating the wine with a strain of yeast isolated from Rioja itself. We then aged the wine in 16.5% American oak, a common Rioja tradition, which dazzles the wine with hints of coconut, dill & vanilla. The wine's focused concentration of blackberry flavor is balanced with subtleties of plum, tobacco & leather. The wine rested in barrel for eighteen months to soften its guite defined tannins. It's a bold drinker now, but will age gracefully for the next ten to fifteen years. Highly recommend drinking with your favorite barbeque dishes.