



Come On Come On, Columbia Valley AVA, Oregon 2022

Grape: Zinfandel

Vineyard: Hillside

Region: Columbia Valley AVA, Oregon

Elevation & Exposition: 620-660 ft; Smooth south by southeast slope

Soil: Chenoweth series coarse loam soils derived from volcanic mudflows and debris from ancestor volcanoes to Mount Hood about 6 million years old.

Vineyard Age: Planted in 1983

Spacing: 4 x 10

Pruning: Lyre

Farming: No synthetic herbicides or fungicides are used at any time. Mildew sprays are conducted with OMRI certified products and compost and cover crops are also employed to aid in soil health and water retention.

Notes: Surrounded by the cherry orchards and wheat fields central to Wasco County agriculture, Hillside Vineyard is an arid, warm and windy locale. Planted in 1983-5 by Harold Haake and Lonnie Wright, Hillside is 80 miles east of Portland along the Columbia River in the loamy, sandstone foothills south of The Dalles. Approaching the high desert of central Oregon and the Columbia Basin, there is a rugged beauty here that few connect with the image of Oregon, or at the very least, Oregon viticulture.

The bulk of the fruit was picked on 10/4 with a second pick on 10/8. Multiple picks and multiple fermentation styles commenced, with a heavy emphasis on whole clusters used in the fermentations as well as a substantial amount of carbonic (20% of the total wine). The idea being that layering in different textures and aromatics would result in making a less monolithic final product. On the skins collectively for 19 and 15 days respectively between the three separate fermentations. Homogenized at the press, racked into barrel and aged on lees for 14 months. Bottled unfiltered and unfined. 198 cases produced.

