



AIRFIELD

ESTATES



FOUNDERS 2020 MICHAEL MILLER

80% Syrah, 10% Grenache, 9% Mourvèdre, 1% Viognier

"This wine pays tribute to our father, Michael L. Miller, who founded Airfield Estates Winery and also was responsible for expanding our estate vineyard into the large-scale operation it is today. The pride, passion, and enthusiasm that he expressed for our vineyard, grapes, and wine is something that we hope to continue to share with others."

This full-bodied Rhone-style blend displays luscious aromatics of black cherry, red currant, and sweet plums with savory undertones. The entry is remarkably smooth with interwoven flavors of blackberry, strawberry preserves, and barbecued meat. The wine exits the palate with a silk-like tannin structure showcasing tertiary flavors of toasted beechwood, graphite, and generous layers of sweet toasted oak providing a long, lush, and elegant finish. Enjoy now through 2038 with optimal maturity in 2033.

HANDCRAFTED BY
Travis Maple,
Winemaker

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DECANTER

Pronounced with oaky spice, sweet baking spices, black and red fruits. Very concentrated but young, deep, ripe palate. Smooth, with good acidity, and long length. The tannins are firm and a bit chalky on the finish

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PAUL
GREGUTT

A Syrah-driven GSM blend, this most appealing wine smoothly integrates the berry fruit, the varietal touches of spice and coffee and the chocolatey wrap around the tannins. It's a different take on Washington Syrah that is less in your face and more in your mouth if you get my drift. Delicious from start to finish.

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WINE
ENTHUSIAST

Blueberry yogurt and cassis aromas back up against a wall of balsa wood. The flavors of this Syrah-driven blend include blackberries, black pepper and bacon fat combining in a satisfying way. The wine's acidity is mouthwatering, while the tannins are to the softer side. — Michael Alberty

90+

ROBERT
PARKER

Composed mainly of Syrah with 10% Grenache, 9% Mourvèdre and 1% Viognier, the 2020 Red Wine Michael L Miller begins with a subdued nose that takes some swirling to wake it up. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is initially shy yet offers a balanced structure with fresh, ripe fruit tones that compress slightly across the mid-palate before ending with a mineral-laced finish. This may come around with additional years of cellaring—hence my "+" score. Only 3,166 bottles were filled.

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VINOUS

The 2020 Founders Michael Miller is impossible to ignore, with a richly enticing blend of cherry and plum sauce, sweet cloves and dark chocolate. It flows easily across the palate, silky and refined with medium-bodied weight balanced by vibrant acidity, as ripe red and black fruits settle upon the senses. This tapers off with medium length and is remarkably fresh. Salted licorice and black raspberry notes fade slowly. - Eric Guido