



## 2003 NOVELTY HILL KLIPSUN VINEYARD SAUVIGNON BLANC RED MOUNTAIN

### TASTING NOTES

A delicious blend of ripe melon, grapefruit and lemon peel aromas and flavors surrounded by a light frame of sweet oak. Refreshing and lively on the palate, the finish is concentrated and generous.

[ *Mike Januik, Winemaker* ]

### VINTAGE

The Columbia Valley's vintages are remarkably consistent. Summers are long and dry; autumn temperatures are warm during the day and cool at night allowing the grapes to retain their natural acidity. The 2003 vintage was no exception. It was a banner year and is most notable for its warm temperatures and high overall heat accumulation that produced wines with outstanding ripe fruit character.

### VINEYARDS

Red Mountain's Klipsun Vineyard has produced some of Washington's most highly acclaimed wines and is best known for its success with Bordeaux varieties, including Sauvignon Blanc. Cultivated for low yields under consistently warm summer skies, the vineyard produces grapes with excellent varietal character and concentration.

### WINEMAKING

- Barrel fermented in 100% French oak
- Sur lie aged six months for richness and a creamy texture
- Blended with Semillon to lengthen the finish

### BLEND

78% Sauvignon Blanc  
22% Semillon

### CASE PRODUCTION

550 cases

### ALCOHOL

13.5%

### pH

3.35

### TOTAL ACIDITY

0.61 g/100 ml