



ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN FORTUNA

High-end wines from South America are seriously delicious; recent tastings of quality Carmenère and Cabernet-based blends from Chile's Maipo Valley as well as Malbec from Argentina's famous Mendoza region left us wondering: how might a Red Mountain interpretation of those South American styles turn out?

Enter our Estate Red Mountain Fortuna, a brand new wine for us—it pays homage to the wines that inspired it while also landing somewhere completely new and unexpected. The wine is 1/3 2015 Kiona Estate Old Block Cabernet, 1/3 2017 Heart of the Hill Carmenère, and 1/3 Heart of the Hill Malbec. We wanted to include the 2015 Old Block and this wine together in the same release; the 2015 Old Block bottling was originally slated to be larger, but we siphoned off some of that top-shelf material to blend this side project.

GEOGRAPHICAL DESIGNATION //

100% Red Mountain AVA, 100% Estate Grown and Bottled

VINEYARD SOURCE AND COMPOSITION //

1/3 2015 Kiona Estate Old Block Cabernet Sauvignon, 1/3 2017 Heart of the Hill Carmenère, 1/3 2018 Heart of the Hill Malbec

BOTTLING INFORMATION // Bottled September 17 2019, 239.5 12 x 750 mL

MYTHOLOGY // Fortuna is a prominent figure in Roman mythology, often depicted blindfolded and holding a cornucopia. She manifests chance, luck, and fate; Machiavelli suggests that Fortuna rules one half of men's fate (the other half reflecting our free will). For our purposes we focused on her *Fortuna Annonaria* aspect, connected to agriculture and the luck of the harvest. The term "blind luck" is attributed to Fortuna.

