

# 21grams

## 2011 21 Grams Washington State AVA | 150 Cases Produced



### **Vineyards:**

Cold Creek Vineyard and Stone Tree Vineyard.

### **Winemaker Notes:**

An integrity of art collaboration, between winemaker Jamie Brown of Waters Winery and Makoto Fujimura, renowned Nihonga artist, writer and catalyst. Driven by a shared inner vision to create beauty in the bottle, on the bottle and around the bottle, free of the demands of commercialism, trends or expectations. Proceeds of 21 Grams Wine are donated to Mako's International Arts Movement.

21 Grams is always made first from the cellar, and blended from only the best lots each year. We blind taste our entire vintage in the spring, after harvest, and isolate all of the superior Bordeaux varietal lots and designate them for the 21 Grams wine. We then create the base blend of Cabernet Sauvignon blind and only after we accomplish a perfect base blend do we start blending trials with other varietals to create what we call the 21 Grams "feel". Never a recipe, nor from a single vineyard, 21 Grams is truly a wine made from the sense, for the senses.

2011 was not only a warm vintage but also an excellent one. Small berries and concentrated fruit, with a solid backbone of acid gave way to a mouth watering mid palate, a lingering finish and soft supple tannis. There are bright red fruits on the nose, with black cherry, plum and spice held up by fully integrated oak. While this one can certainly age, its approachable now. Drink now through 2025.

### **Tasting Notes:**

This wine is mostly Cabernet Sauvignon (85%) along with 9% Petit Verdot and 6% Malbec, with most of the fruit coming from top sites of Cold Creek Vineyard and Stone Tree vineyards. Tightly wound up right now, it offers aromas of high-toned herbs, vanilla, spice and dark fruit. The palate is soft and flavorful, with plush yet delicate cherry flavors and fine-grained tannins that lead to an extended, fruit-filled finish. It's a very sophisticated wine with a long life in front of it. Best from 2021 to 2030.

### **Awards/Accolades**

92 Points and Cellar Selection~ Sean P. Sullivan, Wine Enthusiast