

**2021 Achelous  
Mondeuse  
Johan Vineyard  
Van Duzer Corridor AVA**

Named for a Greek river god, this is our first bottling of Mondeuse. Johan Vineyard's geology was totally molded by the Missoula Floods that shaped the entire region. Johan sits directly on the Van Duzer Corridor, a natural channel to the ocean, cut by the glaciers and flood waters and leaving varied and diverse mineral deposits in their trail. Johan is one of the only known sites in the Willamette Valley that has deposits of granite, as well as erratic basalt boulders, a hard packed marine sediment base layer, and silty volcanic loam. It is very different from Mondeuse's home region of the Savoie in France, known for higher granite mountains and a more continental climate, so we were curious to see how that impacted the varietal characteristics. Turns out Mondeuse has a very significant varietal stamp and for lack of better description, this wine is very Mondeusey. Red and blue fruited, medium to light bodied, with a lot of sweet botanicals and herbs. Tannins are fine, acid is fresh and there is an abundance of fruit and herbs.

**Technical Information**

**Grape Varietal:** Mondeuse

**Vineyards:** Johan (Van Duzer Corridor AVA)

**Final pH:** 3.55

**Final TA:** 6.0 g/L

**Alc. By Vol.:** 12.4%



**Winemaking:** The fruit was destemmed with just about 15% left whole cluster. We kept the winemaking very simple in an effort to get to know the variety. Native fermented, punchdowns twice per day, spontaneous malo lactic fermentation, and completely neutral French oak 228 L barrels. The only addition was a total SO2 add of 30 ppm. Racked to stainless and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.