



NORTHSTAR

OVERVIEW	Northstar, located in Walla Walla, Washington, aims to make Merlots that are considered among the world's best, using fruit sourced from one of the world's best regions for the varietal: Washington state. Winemaker David "Merf" Merfeld blends New World fruit with an Old World winemaking style, influenced by Bordeaux's "Right Bank," to create his highly acclaimed wines. Northstar produces three wines: our flagship Columbia Valley Merlot; the limited production Walla Walla Merlot, which showcases local vineyards; and Stella Maris, a Columbia Valley red blend.
OWNERSHIP	Wholly-owned subsidiary of Ste. Michelle Wine Estates, Woodinville, WA
PRIMARY VINEYARDS	Northstar Estate <i>Walla Walla Valley AVA</i> Andrews Vineyard <i>Horse Heaven Hills AVA</i> Beverly Vineyard <i>Royal Slope</i> Cold Creek Vineyard <i>Wabluke Slope AVA</i> Four Feathers Vineyard <i>Columbia Valley AVA</i> Horse Heaven Vineyard <i>Horse Heaven Hills AVA</i> Indian Wells Vineyard <i>Wabluke Slope AVA</i> Minnick Hills Vineyard <i>Walla Walla Valley AVA</i> Olson Brothers Ranches <i>Yakima Valley AVA</i> Red Mountain Vineyard <i>Red Mountain AVA</i> Spring Valley Vineyard <i>Walla Walla Valley AVA</i> Stone Tree Vineyard <i>Wabluke Slope AVA</i> Windrow Vineyards <i>Walla Walla Valley AVA</i>
KEY PERSONNEL	David "Merf" Merfeld, Winemaker Noah Fox Reed, Assistant Winemaker
PORTFOLIO	Columbia Valley Merlot Walla Walla Valley Merlot Stella Maris Red Blend
WINERY LOCATION	1736 JB George Road, Walla Walla, WA 99362
TASTING ROOM	Open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tours by appointment. Please call 866.486.7828.
DISTRIBUTION	Northstar wines are available nationally in wine shops and fine dining restaurants.

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