



# OVERVIEW

Introduced in 2005, 14 Hands wines are inspired by the unbridled spirit of the wild horses that once freely roamed eastern Washington. Measuring a scant 14 hands high — a "hand" equivalent to the width of one's palm — these tenacious little horses would travel down from the hills every day to drink from the mighty Columbia River and graze along the riverbank, then retreat back to cool off at night. Washington's wild horses have become living symbols of the pioneer spirit of the American West.

The unique and beautiful landscape that gave the horses their spirit and tenacity now feeds our vines. With loamy sand and gravel soils, these hills require a strong and determined grapevine, and our 14 Hands vines revel in this world class terroir. With the fruit from these hardy vines, our winemaker crafts big, fruit-forward reds and crisp, juicy whites that honor the legend of the region.

In 2014, 14 Hands opened a dedicated winery and tasting room in Prosser, Washington. Designed to highlight the unique history of Washington wines, the facility features indoor and outdoor seating areas, a tasting bar and a unique working barrel room. Reclaimed barn wood sourced from barns throughout the region, displayed with the stories of the families who built them, is exhibited throughout the interior to reflect the winery's location at the base of the Horse Heaven Hills appellation. The winery also features an expanded collection of 14 Hands "The Reserve" wines, as well as seasonal offerings throughout the year.

### WINEMAKER

#### Keith Kenison

## PORTFOLIO

## **BLENDS**

- "Run Wild" Red Wine Blend \$12
- "Stampede" Red Wine Blend \$12
- "Hot to Trot" Red Wine Blend \$10
- "Hot to Trot" White Wine Blend \$10

### ESSENTIALS

- Cabernet Sauvignon \$12
- Merlot \$12
- Chardonnay \$12
- Rosé \$12
- Pinot Gris/Grigio \$10
- Sauvignon Blanc \$10
- Moscato \$10
- Riesling \$10
- Brut \$15
- Brut Rosé \$15

#### THE RESERVE - HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

- "The Reserve" Cabernet Sauvignon \$30
- "The Reserve" Merlot \$30
- "The Reserve" Red Wine Blend \$30

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# HISTORY

- In 2005, 14 Hands was introduced in dining establishments-only, however the success of the brand over the years created a broader demand for the wines.
- In 2010, 14 Hands began selling nationally to retailers with the introduction of the 'Hot to Trot' red wine and white wine blends.
- Then in 2011, 14 Hands announced the national off-premise launch of its varietal tier of wines which included Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Chardonnay and Riesling
- 14 Hands has received nine consecutive 'Hot Brand' awards from *Impact* magazine (2008-2016), two consecutive "Fast Track Brand" awards by Beverage Information Group (2010, 2009), and a "Rising Star" award from *Adams Handbook* (2008).
- In 2012, 14 Hands hit a major brand milestone: more than one million cases of wine were shipped nationally, just seven years after 14 Hands was introduced.
- In 2012, Market Watch magazine named 14 Hands"Wine Brand of the Year".
- In 2012, 14 Hands introduced "The Reserve" tier of wines sourced from the Horse Heaven Hills appellation. The debut vintage of "The Reserve" Cabernet Sauvignon wine received a 93 rating from *Wine Spectator* magazine.
- Reaching another brand milestone, in 2014 14 Hands opened a dedicated winery and tasting room in Prosser, Washington. The location is ideally situated at the gateway to the Horse Heaven Hills.
- In 2013-Present, 14 Hands was named a proud sponsor of the Kentucky Derby, the legendary Thoroughbred race representing the first leg of the coveted 'Triple Crown.'
- In 2014, 14 Hands introduced its Cellar 14 Wine Club that offers exclusive wine member discounts and events.
- In 2015, the brand released the first-ever 14 Hands 2012 Limited Release Kentucky Derby Red Wine Blend to commemorate its proud partnership.
- In 2015, 14 Hands Winery received the Live and Salmon Safe Certification.
- 14 Hands Winery reached an important milestone in 2016—exceeding "2 million cases shipped" for the first time since the brand's inception.
- Today, 14 Hands is available nationally and exported to 24 countries.
- 14 Hands is Washington's second-largest winery and among the top 10 premium U.S. wine brands sold
  nationwide. The 14 Hands "Hot To Trot" Red Wine Blend, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Chardonnay
  are all top 5 best-sellers within their respective premium varietal categories according to recent Nielsen data.

# TASTING ROOM & RETAIL SHOP

Open daily from 10 am to 5 pm.

Complimentary wine tasting is available, and no appointments are necessary.

OWNERSHIP

14 Hands is owned and operated by Ste. Michelle Wine Estates.