



DeLILLE CELLARS

Doyenne

VARIETAL

60% Syrah
40% Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION

Columbia Valley AVA

AGING

Drink Now or
Age 5-7 Years

VINEYARD

Grand Ciel
Ciel du Cheval
StoneTree
Quintessence
Upchurch
Discovery
Boushey



2020 The 2020 Doyenne, on release, is
VINTAGE very reticent to show itself on the nose. As the wine opens up, toasted oak aromas bracket black cherry and blueberry, adding mocha to the mix. Although coaxing aromas out of the glass takes some commitment, the wine erupts on the palate, with layers of Cabernet Sauvignon fruit and structure offering reinforcement to lush Syrah. In the short-term, give this a bit of time to open up in the bottle or give it a decant before enjoying.

WINEMAKING

Cold soaked 24-36 hours, fermented 12-16 days on skin, partial native yeast, aged 20 months in 100% French oak (40% new). Alcohol 14.4%

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Wine Enthusiast

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James Suckling

“The Provence-inspired 2020 ‘Doyenne’ comes from Columbia Valley and combines Syrah (60%) with the remainder Cabernet Sauvignon. This is rich and viscous wine that shows brilliantly salty and savory undertones on the palate. Black olives, black tea and rich dark fruits parade with chocolate notes on the plate.”